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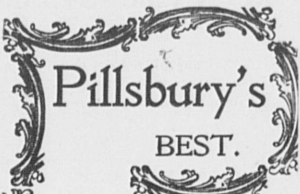
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## EVENTS ABOUT WASHINGTON

### Roundabout Writes of Congressmen, Senators and Others.

### An Unoccupied Tomb—Information of Civil Service Examinations—Free Silver Men Disappearing—The Antagonist of the Maine Men to the Fore—Reminiscences.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16, 1896.  
Among the places of interest in the Capitol and one not often visited, is the tomb or crypt, in the sub-basement, under the dome—two floors beneath the floor of the rotunda. Here, soon after Washington's death a tomb was constructed, and here it was intended to permanently inter the remains of the Father of his Country. But owing to objections of Mrs. Washington the removal never was made, and the crypt deep down under the mighty dome was left empty until the death of Lincoln. After the remains of Lincoln were removed from the Capitol, the dais on which the casket rested was removed to the tomb beneath. And here in a grim and dungeon-like home, with its frayed covering of black, reposes this funeral reminder of one of the nation's noblemen.

Another sad reminder of Lincoln is the familiar front of the old Ford Theatre on 9th street where he received his death blow, and across the busy thoroughfare the plain brick with its tablet of marble, showing the room where he died.

Many young men in Maine and in other parts of the country are interested in civil service examinations and various agencies in Washington and other places in the country are advertising for certain persons who will act as subscribers to pass such examinations with flying colors. Many of these agencies, doubtless, are in a position to help their subscribers materially, but in some cases, and not a few, patrons on paying their money, are supplied with matter that could be procured of the Civil Service Commission on application by mail, without expense. Young men who wish to study up on civil service matters should hesitate before investing any money in short-cut fitting schools by mail or otherwise. Write to the Civil Service Commission for the documents that they issue to applicants, stipulating the branch of service in which you are interested—postal, military or otherwise. Then send 50 cents to "Good Government," 54 Williams street, New York City, and get a copy of "How to Prepare for Civil Service Examinations." The writer has no interest in this book, other than that it is a valuable publication, having the approval of the Civil Service Commission. The reason for this paragraph on Civil Service examinations is that since being located in Washington, the writer has received a number of inquiries on the subject.

Wm. P. Frye of Maine is now president pro tem of the United States Senate and Maine has another honor thrust upon her. With Mr. Frye at the head of the Senate, Mr. Reed speaker of the House, Mr. Dingley at the head of the Ways and Means Committee and the leader of the Republicans in the House, and Messrs. Milliken and Boutelle chairmen of important committees, Maine has no reason to complain. The Washington Post, in its issue of Sunday last, has the following well merited praise for Senator Frye: "It is pleasant to be able to compliment the Senate—all the more so because opportunities in that line have been so very rare of late. But the Senate did a wise and proper thing on Friday in selecting Hon. William P. Frye of Maine, as President pro tempore. Mr. Frye will make an admirable presiding officer. His long service in the Senate, his admirable equipment as a legislator, his varied information, his judicial temperament, his ever-present courtesy and his sterling and indomitable patriotism qualify him in every way for the important and delicate responsibilities with which he has been charged. The Senate has conferred distinct credit upon itself by such a choice. Mr. Frye is a strong man, a conscientious man, a man of high purpose and notable attainments."

There is little prospect of a very early report of the Committee on Rivers and Harbors. The committee has made arrangements for hearings until early in March. It is understood that Mr. Barrett of Massachusetts has the New England matters under his special consideration.

Capt. W. P. Hurley has been in town a few days, leaving here Monday for the East. He stopped at the Riggs House, and was in the gallery of the House of Representatives one afternoon during the silver debate, enjoying the lively speech of Mr. Walker of Massachusetts.

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The papers are stating that Speaker Reed eats his lunch in his official room and does not mix with the crowd. Mr. Reed frequently takes his lunch in the Speaker's chair, at which times it consists of a large tumbler of milk. At other times he has a bowl of bread and milk served in the little room underneath the Speaker's official department.

Night sessions have been tiring out the hard-worked Congressmen the past week. The senate silver substitute to the House bond bill has been the subject of debate, and night sessions are part of the general program of the members of both the Republican and Democratic parties to turn business thro' and adjourn as soon as possible.

A letter from Dr. O. G. Sherman of Camden contains the following: "Your Pokomoke article made my mouth water. When a boy, from 1851 to 1857, I lived in Richmond, Va., and many have been the times I have been back to the wharves, on the James River, and watched the negro men shuck oysters on the decks of their crafts. Hamptons were considered the best then and they sold for \$1 a gallon. I would like a dozen raw right now."

Acute observers confidently predict that the free silver wave has reached its highest point, and that even now the tide is receding. A very significant tidemark is the action of Representative Hall of Missouri, who has been a marked man in the House as the author of the ill-fated Income Tax bill which had such a short and eventful history—too short altogether, as many people think. Mr. Hall, who has been an ardent free silver advocate, as evidenced by the House the other day, during the Bond bill discussion by announcing his conversion from that heresy and stating that if his people put him in nomination again for Congress they must do it as a sound money man or not at all. In the Democratic ranks a revolution is going on, and the influence of such brainy, level-headed men as Judge Turner of Georgia and others is beginning to be felt. A number of the Democrats, who voted silver to the House, are now voting for the free silver substitute for the Dingley bond bill.

A significant matter in direct connection with this is the blessing that Senators Turpie and Voorhees are getting from the Indiana press for their support of the silver substitute. An Indiana congressman told the writer that his heart's content against free silver is so strong in his state and the people there are so disgusted at the course of the silver vote that if it was a matter of election by the people both distinguished gentlemen would be allowed to remain in Indiana and preach free silver to their hearts' content while two hard money Senators would be sent to Washington to legislate—as Indiana's people believe—for sound money.

The Washington Post says: "Maxine Elliott, the superb beauty of the Daly company, has been loaned by Mr. Daly to Sidney Rosenfeld for the production of 'The Escutcheon,' in which she made such a hit at 'The Theatre.'"

Melba, Nordica, Calve, Scalchi, the De-Rezke brothers and other noted singers and opera stars will come to Washington early in March for four grand operas, including 'Carmen.' Orchestra chairs sell for \$5 for one entertainment, balcony \$3, gallery \$2, boxes \$40 and \$60.

A thrilling story comes to Washington from Portland that is too good to keep. It is a sad tale, and sadder still when one learns that the painstaking, thoughtful devotion of a young girl was responsible for a dire mishap. A sleighing party had been planned and a young man was to be honored with the company of a buxom, rosy-cheeked delightful young lady. "Twice during the recent cold snap, and the young man in his devotion had provided his sleigh with hot-water bottles to keep comfortable and warm his fair companion. The sleigh was ready, the lady was ready. With the young gentleman's assistance she daintily glided into the sleigh and with a gracious smile dropped onto the seat. There was a gentle tearing sound, a gurgle, a scream.

A rubber hot-water bottle will resist a certain amount of pressure, but it was not originally intended for a cushion.

Mr. Reed's mail is of a varied character, comprising in its varied list some very unique things. He received a letter the other day in which a check for \$100 was paid, as the writer put it, "for his time and trouble in reading the communication." "This needless to say the check was promptly returned to the sender.

Mr. Reed received a letter the other day from an admiring friend who said: "You are the greatest man in the United States and will be the next president. You have a big brain and you are a man of lamented magnitude."

Prominent men in Washington are so besieged for their autographs that it is getting to be a great nuisance. When they require an autograph they are accompanied by a stamp for return it's had enough, but when, as is frequently the case, the prominent man is expected not only to write his autograph but to furnish a stamp envelope with which to return it, the matter ceases to be a nuisance and becomes a matter of ornamental nerve.

There are queer expressions that are indigestible to certain localities. An expression common to Washington, but which we believe had its origin in the West is "What do you know?" This takes the place of the northern "what's the news." Another expression which the writer has heard here that struck him as particularly unique was used by a musician to describe a certain song for which he had played an accompaniment. He said it was "stucky," and that is an adjective which is commonly applied here to music that is of a "catchy" character.

Singular, indeed are some of the appointments to political positions! For example, the chief locksmith of the House of Representatives is a well known Washington druggist, whose acquaintance with locks, previous to his appointment to the House position, was presumably confined to the lock on his store door and safe. Apropos of this is a current story regarding a gentleman at one time assistant engineer on the House side. While our friend held that important position, an acquaintance from New York called on him, and of course the assistant engineer took the New Yorker into the sub-basement to see the machinery. As the stranger viewed the enormous engines, he turned to the assistant engineer and asked:

"What horse power are they?"

"They're not horse power," replied the indignant official; "they're run by steam."

The Maine Society of Washington is to give a reception to Maine Congressmen Wednesday evening, Feb. 26. The affair will occur in Masonic Temple. There will be an address by Senator Frye, short speeches by the other Maine Congressmen, music, a banquet, and a general social time. Ex-Governor Perham and ex-Attorney General John B. Cotton have the plans in hand.

Washington people are now enjoying lettuce, radishes, water cress, kale, etc.

Mr. Payne, chairman of the House committee on Merchant Marine informs the writer that there is no prospect of an early report on the matter of compulsory pilotage, and the proposed amendment to the Maguire bill to allow a small advance to sailors. Some of the members of the sub-committee, which has these matters in charge, are absent and no attempt will be made to make a report until their return.

Mr. Dingley's recent speech on the bond bill is in great demand all over the country. It is accepted as the key note of the Republican campaign on the financial question.

Henry U. Johnson of Indiana is one of the bright, thinking young men of the House of Representatives. He comes from Richmond, Indiana, and this is his third term in Congress. Mr. Johnson is an attorney by profession. At this term he was given the chairmanship of the second committee on elections. This committee had in hand the contest in election case of Congressman Tarney, perhaps the most important of the contests in the House. The duties devolving upon the chairman were of an exceptionally delicate and trying character, and here Mr. Johnson won the admiration of his committee associates by the admirable manner in which he conducted the investigations and the legal acumen and judicial ability he showed. Mr. Johnson is one of the popular men of the House—popular because of his high character, pleasant manners and gentlemanly bearing. He is influential for these same reasons and for his ability, and is destined to occupy a yet higher position of influence.

The unspeakable compositor got in his work on the Congressional Record this week. Mr. Kem of Nebraska was credited with a handsome speech of his most glittering and gilded character, in which free silver and free coinage and like heresies were severely cudgelled. 'Twas a rattling good speech, but Mr. Kem is an out-and-out free silver man, a free coinage apostle of the most excellent and unimpeachable sort, and when he rose in his seat, Wednesday morning, and called attention to the fact that the speech was not his there was considerable interest as to what gentleman owned it. A father was at last found for the wail—Mr. Kerr of Ohio.

Washington is quite a place for advertising, and just now the advertising fever is raging extensively. A city tailor put out a miniature van drawn by a pair of Shetlands, advertising perfect fits and cheap rates. A neighboring rival has gone him one better with a smaller van drawn by a pair of goats. A new medicine is advertised by two men who patrol the streets side by side. One is a big, strapping, fine looking fellow, while his companion is a dwarfed, dried-up, diminutive specimen. The big, lusty fellow is sandwiched between two boards which convey to the reading public the sentiment that "I take Juniper Tar," while the Lilliput, trading at his side, pathetically informs the people, also by parading, that "I don't." In a music store window a piano is getting advertising in the same way that the enterprising Ephraim Perry advertises the merits of that first-class safe—the York. The piano, according to the story that the crowds read, went through a fire, and although the veneering was all burned off, it otherwise entirely unharmed and when it was found and dirt was removed from its keys, it was found that for the purpose of producing music it was just as good as new. A friend Mr. P. Simonton would have said, "it could be used for playing on the fire."

Wednesday was the 150th anniversary of the birth of Kosciuszko, the Polish patriot, a day that is made much of by Poles. In Washington the Polish societies celebrated by proceeding to the Capitol, and wreathing with garland and Polish colors the plaster bust of the hero that stands in Statuary Hall. The societies wanted to have an oration delivered there, but the rules governing the Capitol precincts forbade.

Night sessions in the House as a rule are very unappealing and partake largely of a farce, yet they serve to give vent to speeches that could otherwise be crowded out for lack of time, and frequently the evening addresses are of great value and interesting. Wednesday evening, when Gen. Bingham of Pennsylvania came to address the House on the bond bill amendment, there were three members besides himself in the House. The galleries, however, were well filled.

Gen. Bingham's speech, Wednesday evening, despite the lack of attendance on the part of the House members, was a strong, common-sense one. Gen. Bingham was a member of Gen. Hancock's staff during the Rebellion, is a member of long standing, a man of influence and an enthusiastic Republican, which certainly is no crime in the eyes of Maine people.

This session of the House has seen a new departure in the line of argument—the introduction of maps and charts by way of illustration. Mr. Johnson of North Dakota was the inaugurator of the departure and with the aid of his maps and prints gave an interesting exposure of the fallacies of free silver. A few days after Mr. Towne of Minnesota trotted

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out his maps and charts and gave the strongest free silver argument of the session up to date. Wednesday Mr. McCleary of Minnesota replied to Mr. Towne and did it very effectively, using Mr. Towne's maps and some of his own. Mr. McCleary's effort has given him a position as one of the keenest debaters of the House.

There is a great deal of pro and con in the papers about Col. C. B. Morton, at one time Commissioner of Navigation and late Fourth Auditor of the Treasury. The writer finds that Col. Morton has many friends in Washington, who sympathize with the Colonel and think he was unfairly treated. He certainly was a very efficient Fourth Auditor, according to report.

### SOCIAL SALAD.

The Usual Job Lot of Parties, Club Gatherings and the Like.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Baer, Broadway, entertain the Merry Meet Club this evening.

Miss Mabel Spear, Rankin street, entertained the Young Ladies Whist Club Saturday evening.

Miss Della Bean entertained the Pop Corn Club at her home on Pacific street Thursday evening. Nice refreshments were served.

The North Breeze Whist Club met Tuesday evening with Mrs. Henry Gregory, Front street. As usual they had a most enjoyable session.

The Universal circle tomorrow ought to be a success. H. N. Keene, W. H. Kittredge, F. F. Burpee and Rev. Thomas Stratton are to be the housekeepers.

The Willing Workers of the Free Baptist church met Thursday evening with Mrs. Lincoln Snow, Camden street. The Ladies Circle of that church met in the afternoon with Mrs. Elias Larrabee, Maverick street.

The 1885 Whist Club met Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Bietlen, Holmes street. The gathering was one of the pleasantest of the season, and the pleasure was in no wise lessened by the delicious lunch served.

The First Baptist Choral Association gave a pleasant surprise Friday evening to one of its most popular members, Mrs. Sarah M. Hall, South Main street. The evening was very pleasantly spent, a feature being the presentation to the hostess of a beautiful samovar. Refreshments were served.

The ladies of the Congregational circle had another of their nice suppers Wednesday evening, together with an apron sale. A short but excellent musical and literary program was presented. The housekeepers for this circle were Mrs. E. Butler, Mrs. A. W. Butler and Mrs. James Hall.

Plans have been perfected for a masquerade ball to be given in the Spring street rink, Thursday evening, Mar. 5. The following gentlemen constitute the committee having the event in charge: R. H. Burpee, H. D. Ames, A. H. Jones, R. H. Crockett, T. H. Donohue, W. H. Bird, A. J. Bird, G. Ames, J. A. Burpee, W. B. Nash, C. E. Weeks, Fred Knight, George A. Gilchrist, Walter Spear, A. C. McLoom, A. C. Ingraham and Parker T. Fuller.

The Wigwag Philharmonic Society enjoyed an excellent rehearsal Thursday evening. The committee charged with the matter of arranging for a public entertainment decided upon presenting the opera of "Princess Bonnie," and some of the choicest were put in rehearsal on this evening. The opera is one of high merit, with dashing chorus work and bright music all through. The assignment of solo parts will soon be made and the work of active rehearsal entered upon with view to early public presentation. It is hardly necessary to say that the Philharmonics will present the opera in the best possible manner.

The reception given by Mrs. F. E. Hitchcock and Mrs. N. F. Cobb, Tuesday afternoon, was one of the most select social events of the season, and informal withal. It was given at the residence of Mrs. Hitchcock on White and Beech streets, the apartments being charmingly decorated with cut flowers and ferns. The distinguishing feature of the party was the presence of an abundance of fragrant carnations, tastefully arranged. The refreshments were dainty and daintily served by the following well known society ladies: Mrs. W. T. Cobb, Mrs. C. M. Kallach, Mrs. D. N. Mortland, Miss Fannie Burpee, Miss Lizzie Gay, Miss Jennie Fales, Miss George Wiggins and Miss Mary Hitchcock. Miss Frances Mason of Bangor, who has been at Mrs. Hitchcock's the past week or so charmed the guests with her vocal selections.

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### VACANCIES IN FIRST

Captain R. R. Ulmer of this City One of the Mayorships.

The Portland Argus of last Friday has the following in relation to First Regiment election.

There is another vacancy in the staff of Col. Lucius H. Kendall of the first regiment, Maine National Guard, in addition to that occasioned by the death of Maj. George W. Bryant of Biddeford.

Word has just been received from Biddeford that Col. Kendall has just received the resignation of his lieutenant colonel, Frederick H. Storah of Auburn. The resignation can hardly be termed a surprise, as it was predicted in an article recently published in the Boston Herald and reprinted in the Argus, it being understood that the resignation was asked for.

There has been considerable discussion among the newspapers the last week or two as to candidates for field officers of the First Regiment. It has been mentioned that perhaps indecent haste has been manifest in bringing forward aspirants in view of the serious illness of Major Bryant, whose place it is presumed is the one to be filled, while other papers take the ground that Capt. Ulmer of Co. H, Rockland, and other officers desiring promotion, are losing the position of third major to which the regiment is entitled—or will be on the admittance of one more company.

The facts of the matter are, however, that Major Bryant is not to offer his resignation in any event, and his sickness and death have not in any way affected the situation.

Capt. Ulmer then, who is a most capable and popular officer, will doubtless poll a very strong vote for the majorship thus left vacant; but the third major must come from Portland, as, of course, it is most necessary that the battalion located in this city have a field officer who will be constantly with them, and although Capt. Baker, probably the officer best fitted for the position and one whom everyone desires to see take it, absolutely refuses to accept the promotion, yet so hoped that a candidate can be settled upon who will be acceptable to all parties.

Portland has an acceptable candidate for lieutenant colonel in Capt. Hogan of Co. E. He has developed a good deal of strength and that he is competent and popular goes without saying. Major Smith is also a candidate.

Lieut. Charles Collins of the Cadets is understood to be a candidate for one of the vacant majorships and his friends expect to pull him through.

Changes in company officers will probably occur in Co. H of Rockland, dependent upon Capt. Elliott securing a position in the field. Also Co. B of this city is to have an election next month, Capt. Baker's term having expired.

### PERSONAL POINTS.

Mrs. G. Howe Wiggins is the guest of friends in Belfast.

Mrs. H. D. Higgins of Portland is visiting at Capt. D. H. Ingraham's.

Mrs. Cornelius Magee and Mrs. Frank A. Magee are visiting in Boston.

Miss Maggie Cleveland has returned to the Bridgeport Normal School.

Miss Helen Repshire is the guest of Mrs. Piper in East Somerville, Mass.

Miss Angie Butman has returned from Gardiner, Maine, where she has been visiting her sister.

Miss Frances Mason who has been the guest of Mrs. F. E. Hitchcock, returned to Bangor, Wednesday.

Rev. and Mrs. L. H. Bean of Portland were the guests of Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Brattle the past week.

W. J. Calder has returned from a short trip to Boston, accompanied by Mrs. Black of Malden, who will visit Mr. and Mrs. Calder. Mrs. Nell Holbrook has returned from an extended visit to Boston, where she was the guest of her nephew, C. R. Crockett and wife.

### WEDDING BELLS RING.

Delightful Events in Which Man and Woman are Made One for Better or Worse.

Miss Anna May Pison, daughter of Mrs. E. H. Pison, and Richard D. Saville, were united in marriage, Tuesday noon at the St. Peter's Episcopal church, Rev. J. S. Moody, pastor of the church, officiating in an impressive manner. The house of worship was crowded with the friends of the contracting parties. The wedding party entered the church to a wedding march artistically rendered by Miss Elsie Orne. The bride was given away by her brother, Victor E. Pison, and Charles W. Livingston was groomsmen. W. M. Tapley and J. C. Flint officiated as ushers with their usual dignified and genteel manners. Mr. and Mrs. Saville are both well known young people of Rockland and this C. G. in conjunction with their many friends extend congratulations and best wishes for a life of wedded bliss.

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## CITY MARSHAL.

The report of City Marshal A. J. Crockett for the year ending Feb. 11, 1896, shows the number of arrests 287, divided among the following causes: Drunkenness 205, larceny 16, selling intoxicating liquors 24, committing nuisance 2, insane 4, obtaining goods under false pretences 1, night walking 5, gambling 4, assault and battery 9, keeping gambling house 2, fornication 2, breaking and entering 4, malicious mischief 4, affray 2, vagrancy 3. The number of males arrested was 262, females 25. Three hundred and seventy-six gallons of liquors were seized, as follows: Ale 180 gallons, rum 19 gallons, cherry rum 10 gallons, wine 35 gallons, lager 19 gallons, brandy 4 gallons, whiskey 109 gallons. The amount of money received was \$551.60, the sum of \$321.30 being for licenses and \$530.30 from fees. Of this \$173.51 was paid for supplies and the remainder was paid into the city treasury.

As to the condition of the police appropriation City Marshal Crockett says the City Treasurer's report. The property belonging to the police department is about the same as that embodied in the last year's report. Mr. Crockett respectfully renews his suggestions in regard to the station house. The building is in need of repairs and its sanitary condition is not up to the standard. He wishes to see the marshal, "to extend my thanks to the city government for courtesies extended, and to the police force, both regular and special my thanks are due."

## TAX COLLECTOR.

Collector T. E. Simonton's report for the year ending Feb. 10, 1896, is a most satisfactory one and reads as follows:

Collected on account of taxes, \$91,842.28  
Interest 92.69  
Total \$91,934.97  
The whole amount was paid into the treasury. Total commitment, \$91,842.28  
Abated 1,379.48  
Uncollected \$93,313.76  
\$10,817.99

"Notwithstanding the universal depression in all business affairs, I am gratified to be able to state that not a single secular day has elapsed since the commitment of the tax list to my hands in which I have not collected at least one tax."

## CITY SOLICITOR.

W. R. Prescott submits the following report as City Solicitor for the past year.

At the beginning of the present year there were pending in the Law court three cases in which the city was interested.

They were against Fred T. Ralph, R. and Nellie G. Ulmer, for taxes assessed against them for the year 1895. These cases were decided in favor of the city, the court holding the assessment of the tax of that year valid, but at the same time and in the same cases decided that the city could not recover any interest on the tax because the resolve imposing interest was not passed at the time of the imposition of the tax of that year.

The amount of taxes recovered in these three suits was \$442.65 which sum together with \$204.48 costs was paid into the city treasury. Two important points were raised in these tax suits, one was as to the right or power of the assessors of a town to abate a tax without a written application therefor and the other as to what extent the assessors could go in the correction of mistakes made by them by taxing over property already taxed in the original assessment, in what is known as a supplemental list.

As to the first point the court inferentially held that when a tax is once legally assessed against a citizen that it cannot be legally abated by them without a written application therefor signed by the person desiring the abatement. As to the second point the court practically said that even when property is taxed in the original tax list, if the assessors find that through mistake that the tax is not a legal tax that the same property may be taxed over in the supplemental tax lists and the mistake thereby corrected.

During the past year I was instructed to sue for tax payers for a sidewalk tax. Suits were brought against three of them and the fourth paid without suit. From the four I collected a tax of \$57.58 which I paid over to the city treasurer. I also collected and paid over to the treasurer \$10. collected on sewer assessments. Under the directions of the Mayor a sewer ledger was opened and all sewer accounts were transferred thereto, and it was made the duty of the city clerk to keep this ledger and collect these accounts, so that for the past year I have had little to do with these matters. The sewer matters are important and for the first time these accounts are in proper shape.

The case of Wilson vs. Simmons is still in the law court, but it is liable to be handed down at any time. This case it will be remembered was tried at the March term of court and the verdict was in Simmons' favor, if the court should later find from the city records that Main street was legally laid out by the city in 1889.

If the court holds that Main street was not legally laid out in 1889 then the verdict will be against Mr. Simmons in the sum of \$757. Mr. Simmons acted on the assumption that the board of M. Simmons was duly established and that if they were so established he was justified by the verdict in the case, in what he did in the premises.

This very case admonishes us again as to the importance of having our streets legally laid out and their boundaries established. An examination of the records of the streets of this city will reveal the fact that out of about one hundred and fifty streets and ways in the city that not more than one-sixth of them have any legal bounds other than such as may have been acquired by user. With no recorded legal bounds, abutters can encroach upon the city streets with impunity so long as it is done a little at a time. In the end the city is the loser. When a law suit comes up involving the bounds of a street then it is that legally established bounds for streets are valuable.

If the case against Mr. Simmons should be decided against him on the ground that there was no legal laying out of the street in 1889, and the court hold that it is necessary to insert in the return of the committee on streets the names of all of the owners of land taken whether any damages be allowed them or not in laying out of the city streets then I would advise the city clerk to be so changed that this may not be necessary. To insert in the return of the committee the names of all of the abutters upon all of the streets of the city in the event of their being laid out would entail a large amount of work and expense.

The charter ought to provide that the names of those only to whom damages are allowed for land taken should be put into their return. This would greatly simplify the work of the committee, and reduce the cost of laying out our city streets. A beginning has been made this year by the city council in this direction and I hope that the importance of the work will be realized and continued by your successors.

There are also now pending and will be in order for trial at the March term of court two other cases against the city, one of them being the case of Jennie C. White, in which she claims damages for an alleged injury to her real estate by reason of the lowering the

## THE POLITICAL FIELD.

All Parties Are Now on the Eve of Making Their Nominations.

The Republicans will hold their city caucus in Armory hall at 7:30 o'clock this evening. So far as can be learned there will be no opposition to John Lovejoy's renomination. The Republican ward caucuses will be held Thursday night and the situation does not appear to have changed greatly since our last issue.

The Democratic caucus will be held in Armory Hall at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday evening, when arrangements will also be made for putting a full ticket in the field.

The People's party caucus will be held in City Market street, Thursday evening for the purpose of nominating a candidate for mayor and other city officers, electing city and ward committees and to transact any other business. Here is the committee's call:

The citizens of Rockland, whose eyes have been opened to see and feel the doings of the supposed representatives of the people in congress, in monkeying with the currency and tariff, while hundreds of thousands are daily starving, instead of enacting measures for their relief, the members of the different labor unions and societies in this city who have organized for their own mutual improvement and defense, and who believe in securing the reforms they desire at the ballot, and all persons who are fully awake to the idea that no relief will ever come from either of the twin old parties, are cordially invited to attend.

The Republicans of Ward 4 will hold their ward caucus Thursday evening in the Grace street school house instead of the Armory as had been announced. The reason for the change is because the Peoples Party wanted the Armory for their city caucus.

W. B. Hills of the night police is in the field as a candidate for the office of city marshal. A. J. Crockett will be a candidate for re-election.

E. C. Walker, who has just served two years in the common council, announces himself a candidate for the office of road commissioner. The three candidates are Charles S. Crockett, the present commissioner, Dexter Simmons and Mr. Walker.

Arthur A. Blackington who has twice represented Ward 7 in the lower board is a candidate for the Republican nomination for alderman. In Ward 5 we hear the names of John W. Thomas and C. F. Simmons mentioned for the Republican council ticket.

## MAINE'S G. A. R.

Statistics Which Will Be Read Today At The Annual Encampment.

W. H. Simmons, of this city, state inspector of the Maine Department G. A. R. furnishes us with the following statement which will be read with interest by every member and friend of the Grand Army.

Members in good standing, Dec. 31, 1894, 8,916; on Dec. 31, 1895, 8,801, showing a loss of 115.

The work of the ritual is committed and properly performed in 105 Posts; officers and guards are properly uniformed and equipped in 92 Posts; members are uniformed and equipped in 71 Posts.

There are owned by the Posts 808 muskets and muskets are owned in 101 Posts. In 142 Posts the officers are regular in attendance, and members in 111 Posts, while in 145 Posts interest is manifested by comrades.

Records are kept in 164 Posts and orders are received regularly, and filed and observed in the same number of Posts. All reports and taxes have been forwarded in 166 Posts.

There are Relief funds for charitable purposes in 50 Posts; the amount expended for charity during the year was \$279.26; the total amount in funds in the relief funds of the 50 Posts is \$7,099.36.

The amount of money and securities in hands of Quarter Master is \$22,884.38; value of other property owned by Posts, \$83,198.79; making a total of the cash and property of \$106,083.17.

There are 114 school districts represented in the Department and in these districts 563 schools have been supplied with United States flags.

Number of Relief Corps connected with Posts, 124; Number of Sons of Veterans Camps connected, 52.

Prospects in 76 Posts good, in 54 fair, in 35 poor.

Inspector Simmons concludes his report by saying: "I would respectfully recommend that the incoming Department officers make a special effort to visit all the small and weak Posts and give them the encouragement they seem to need, in order that they may not lose their interest in their Posts, as I fear some of them are doing. Who can blame them? Some Posts, I inspected, informed me that they had never been visited by a Department officer from the time they received their charter until I inspected them. A number of the Posts have not used the master-in-service for years and the officers and members seem to have lost sight of that part of their duty to the order. I would recommend to the incoming Department Commander that he order all Posts to have a master-in at least once every three months. I would also recommend that no Post be allowed to inspect itself as self inspection does not give a healthy condition and discipline to the order. It was my pleasure to visit all the Posts in Knox County but one and several in Waldo and Lincoln counties, and had I the time I would have visited many more Posts and given them the encouragement and cheer they so much needed."

## HERE'S HOPING IT'S CARVER.

The Knox county delegates to the department encampment of the Maine Grand Army to be held today and Wednesday at Bangor, left yesterday, those in this immediate section taking the steamer Calhoun. Edwin Libby Post of this city sent a full delegation, among them Col. L. D. Carver who is going to do or die in the department commander fight. There are four candidates for this important office but the contest is acknowledged to lie between the colonel and Rev. C. A. Southard of Livermore Falls.

Col. Carver's friends do not claim the earth but feel that they stand a very good show of making him a commander before they return home. Knox, Lincoln, Waldo and Oxford counties are known to be for him and the Boston Sunday Globe stated that the large Augusta delegation favored him. Portland usually holds the balance of power and is known to feel very friendly to the Rockland man.

The Ingraham's Hill band went as far as Bucksport with the veterans.

## LINCOLN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Two Days Session Attended By Baptists From All Parts of the County.

The quarterly session of the Lincoln Baptist Association was held at the First Baptist church Tuesday and Wednesday of last week. The meetings were well attended and great interest was manifested.

On Tuesday morning a business meeting was held with Rev. F. M. Preble of Camden as chairman and Rev. H. B. Woods of Rockport, secretary.

It was voted to hold the next meeting of the ministerial association, also of the executive committee, March 9, in Warren; also voted to extend courtesies and privileges of the association to the church at Palermo.

A public meeting was held at 11 o'clock. Rev. W. O. Holman of this city read an interesting paper on "The Book of Revelations," and Rev. F. M. Preble followed with a scholarly review on the recently published book, "Thoughts on Religion."

The afternoon session opened with a service of praise and prayer led by Rev. F. Purvis of North Haven. This was followed by a symposium on revivals participated in by Revs. G. E. Tufts of Belfast, J. E. Clancy of Friendship, H. B. Woods of Rockport, H. E. Thayer of Warren, Sewell Brown of Tenants Harbor and J. H. Parsley of this city. Addresses were delivered by Rev. H. E. Harden, missionary of the associations and Rev. C. E. Owen of Houlton. Reports were received from the various churches in the district and all were of an encouraging nature.

In the evening an interesting sermon on "Forward Movements" was delivered by Rev. J. F. Tilton. Rev. H. E. Thayer gave an address on "Preparing for the King."

The attendance Wednesday was large. There was a praise meeting from 8 to 9 led by J. F. Coombs of North Haven. A woman's meeting was held from 9 to 10. Mrs. R. C. Hall of this city gave an eloquent address on foreign mission work, and Mrs. Elsie Jameson of Friendship followed with an address on home mission work.

At ten o'clock was held the meeting of the Association B. Y. P. U. An address on "The Model Pledge" was delivered by F. H. Piper of Thomaston followed by an address by Rev. J. H. Parsley on "The Young People's Movement as Related to the Baptist Denomination."

The business of the Association was then resumed. It was voted to hold the next meeting in Appleton, June 1.

In the afternoon Rev. A. T. Dunn corresponding secretary of the Maine Baptist Missionary Association gave an address on work among the French-Canadians. Rev. Dr. Williams of Providence, R. I., spoke eloquently of his work among the French-Canadians and Rev. P. N. Cayer of Waterville followed along the same lines. The closing address was by Rev. H. L. Morehouse of New York.

corresponding secretary of the American Baptist Home Mission Society. In the evening eloquent addresses were delivered by Revs. Morehouse and Williams.

## A FORMER ROCKLAND MAN'S INVENTION.

A petition for an elevated railroad through the principal streets of Boston has been filed in the Massachusetts legislature. The inventor of this system, known as the Lancaster system is George A. Lancaster, formerly of this city and who married Estelle Snowdale. The bill provides that the bill shall not be operative until it has been approved by the mayor and aldermen. Within ten days of the passage of the act the company is required to deposit \$10,000 with the treasurer of the commonwealth, which sum shall be forfeited unless work is begun within six months of the approval by the mayor and aldermen. An additional fund of \$200,000 is required to be deposited with the commonwealth to guarantee the payment of expropriations against the company for land and other damages. Mr. Lancaster is a citizen of Revere, and a well known contractor. He claims to have devised a structure for an elevated railway which will cause very slight obstruction to the streets.

## FRIENDSHIP.

Wilber A. Morse has a 33-foot lobster boat nearly completed for Provincetown, Mass. parties—Hatchet Cove and Goose River schools closed Friday the 14th—Sch. Railroad leaves Monday for Portland after freight for the merchants—Charles Morse has a 27-foot lobster boat nearly finished—Mrs. L. M. Newbert is visiting her sister, Mrs. Clement Ripley in North Warren.

## QUEER FREAK.

Mr. A. L. Merrill of South Hope recently cut a pumpkin that had been stored in his basement and four good smart growing sprouts several inches long were growing therein.

## LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in Rockland P. O. for the week ending February 15, 1896.

Gentle List. Ladies' List. Albee, Frank P. Crawford, Miss Nellie Blake, Geo. A. Dearborn, Lizette Crockett, Lovejoy D. Day, Mrs. Joseph Eaton, Capt. Wm. Davis, Mrs. Blanche R. Fuller, M. E. Hall, Mrs. Nellie Herrick, Frank E. (2) Lethrop, Mrs. Mamie Johnston, Christopher Parker, Mrs. Herbert Smith, P. W. Rowe, Mrs. Sargent, Fannie Violetta Silverster Thomas, Mrs. Lizette Wilcox, Wm O. William Mrs. Francis

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## HOME HAPPENINGS.

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C. I. Burrows is in Thomaston this week with a lot of fine horses.

J. P. Wise slipped on the sidewalk, Friday, and a sprained wrist resulted.

The regular Relief Corps supper will be served this week, Thursday, as usual.

Marriage intention filed at City Clerk's office yesterday, John Williams and Mrs. Flora Farr.

W. W. Walker, the piano man of state and national fame, has transferred his labors to Skowhegan.

Ferd G. Singh has received some very interesting German literature from Postmaster Sullivan, of Haverhill.

Mrs. Nettie Holt Harding will lecture and give tests Sunday the 23d of Feb., at Merrill's Hall at 7 o'clock, also Thursday the 27th at 7 p. m.

The weekly evening meetings at the First Baptist church will begin at 7:30, as many members find the earlier hour very inconvenient.

Jesse A. Tolman, mail agent on the Boston and Bangor route is now suffering from severe injuries being received by a heavy pile of mail falling on his back and shoulders.

The North Breeze club enjoyed a very pleasant evening with Mrs. Henry Gregory last Tuesday at her home in Front street. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Nathan B. Allen, Park street to-night.

E. B. MacAllister of this city has received an invitation to be one of the speakers at the annual convention of the Commercial Law League of America which will be held July 21-24. Mr. MacAllister is a member of this organization.

We have received from Edward C. Davis & Co., Boston bankers, a copy of the Mining Stock Manual, containing facts and figures regarding mining companies operating in Colorado gold fields. J. Henry Allen, formerly of this county, is a member of the above banking firm, who will mail copies of this pamphlet to our readers on application.

A very pleasant occasion that took place early last week was a tea party given by Mrs. Z. O. Bragg in honor of Mrs. Henry Burham of Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Those present were Mrs. A. J. Crockett, Mrs. J. E. Rhodes, Mrs. Frank Lamb, Mrs. N. N. Marsh, Mrs. William Whitney, Mrs. Wilder Irish and Mrs. Irene Gregory.

## ANOTHER GOOD THING FREE.

For an advance payment of \$2 on THE C-G, we will send the great Cosmopolitan Magazine FREE. This means 144 pages and 1000 illustrations. No magazine published excels the Cosmopolitan.

Mrs. J. E. Sullivan arrived home from Chelsea, Saturday—Miss Mary Richardson arrived home from Brockton, Mass., last evening, where she has been the guest of her sister Mrs. A. C. Colby—R. H. Crockett left yesterday morning for a ten days business trip to Massachusetts—Mrs. H. M. Lord left yesterday morning to visit Mr. Lord in Washington, D. C.—Miss Sarah M. Hall left yesterday morning for Boston to resume her musical studies—Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Whitcomb went to Boston yesterday. Mrs. Whitcomb will make an extended visit.

When the Howard Cigar Co. located here everybody predicted failure, saying that a business consisting of cigars, tobacco and pipes alone could not succeed. However, the business succeeded from the start and has been increasing ever since. Why? The proprietors understand their business, the stock is first class, the customer is gentlemanly treated and the store always has an inviting appearance.

Harvey F. Addison, for several years with Spear, May & Storer, has purchased Frank E. Carr's half interest in the firm of Dunn & Carr, booksellers and stationers. The firm's name has been changed to Dunn & Addison. Both members of the firm are young men, with up-to-date ideas and will no doubt make a success of the business. Mr. Addison retires in order to give his whole time to his duties at the North National Bank where he occupies a responsible position.

The meeting of the Methuen club Friday afternoon was a highly interesting one. In the absence of the president, Mrs. A. J. Shaw presided. The first hour included current items as usual with an excellent report of the doings of Congress by Miss Lottie Lawry. The second hour: "What advantage would the possession of the Danish Islands be to the United States?" Mrs. Austin Philbrick; "Cause of the Degeneration of the Drama," Mrs. Louise Furish; "The Woman's Bible—How Received," Mrs. Eugene Stubbs; debate "Are the Women of the 19th Century Ready for the Ballot?" affirmative, Mrs. Ada Keene; negative, Miss Helen M. York. The subjects for the next meeting are as follows: Ought the United States to Recognize the Cuban Insurgents as Belligerents? Paul Verlaque, Man and Poet; Origin of the Red Cross—Clara Barton and Her Connection with the Work; Danroach's New Opera, "The Scarlet Letter." Recent Deaths of Prominent People. The club has been presented with a fine 1895 map of the United States from Congressman Dingley with which they are very much pleased.

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## OBITUARY.

Mrs. Lucy Crockett, widow of the late Nathaniel Crockett, died at the old homestead, Sea street, Friday. Deceased was 82 years old and a lady highly esteemed for her many excellent qualities. She was born at North Haven but moved to Rockland at the time of her marriage with Mr. Crockett. She was of a christian spirit, a member of the First Baptist church and she lived according to her belief. Funeral services were solemnized yesterday, Rev. J. H. Parshley of the First Baptist church officiating.

Died at his home on Main street, Thursday, Feb. 13, Barnabas Webb Counce, in the 72nd year of his age. Mr. Counce was a native of Thomaston, having been born there Sept. 22, 1824, and continued his residence there uninterruptedly until his death. He was the son of Rufus C. and Lucy Healey (Spear) Counce. His education was obtained in the public schools of his native place, such opportunities as they afforded were fully improved. During his earlier years he assisted his father and brother in the different business in which they were engaged, and in 1849, at the age of 25 years, succeeded to the business in which he was actively engaged at the time of his decease. By close application and fair dealing he built up a large trade and by it accumulated considerable property. Mr. Counce took quite an interest in politics and as a member of the town and county committees of the Republican party helped towards its successes. He was an assessor of Internal Revenue for several years; was the first appointee as commissioner of sea and shore fisheries of Maine under the present law, which office he held for three terms; he held the office of town assessor of taxes for a time, and filled other places in town affairs. In Jan. 1880 Mr. Counce was elected a director of the Thomaston National Bank and remained in that position until his death, and all the matter relating to the welfare of that institution he proved faithful to his trust, and was a conservative and wise counsellor, ever possessing the respect and confidence of his official associates. Nov. 5, 1885 Mr. Counce married Miss Mary Ward of Spencer, Mass., by whom he had two children. In his domestic relations Mr. Counce has ever been the considerate husband and the kind and indulgent father. As a citizen whose influence was always upon the right side of all moral questions, and whose interest in town matters was vital and active; as a business man whose life was marked by integrity and courtesy; as an official who never faltered in the discharge of his duty; as a husband and parent whose aim in life was the well being and happiness of his family; as a citizen and man in all his work, Mr. Counce will be missed and mourned. The sympathy of the community is felt for the widow and daughters who survive him. The funeral services were held from his late residence, Sunday afternoon, Rev. W. A. Newcombe of the Baptist church officiated. The bearers were C. Prince, E. M. O'Brien, T. A. Carr and F. H. Jordan. A very large number of friends and citizens attended.

Capt. Albion McAllister, of Rockport, whose funeral occurred Sunday, died Wednesday, aged 67 years. Deceased was born in Hope in 1828, and resided in Rockport several years. He was twice married, his first wife being Eliza Cameron, of which union he had a son Samuel of Rockport and Lizzie of Rockland. In 1859 he was married to Mary Champney who survives him. Capt. McAllister was an old sailor, but in 1863 he responded to his country's call, and enlisted in the 12th Maine regiment, but was afterwards transferred to the navy where he served until the close of the war. He was a member of the Keystone Royal Arch Chapter of Camden, also the St. Paul's lodge of F. and A. M. and of the Fred Norwood Post, G. A. R. of Rockport. His familiar countenance will be missed on our streets as it is remembered that an esteemed and worthy citizen has gone.

Last week we published the death of Mrs. Gardiner Ludwig of Portland and now comes the news of the death of her husband Dr. Gardiner Ludwig, which occurred at an early hour yesterday morning. It will be remembered that Dr. Ludwig and his estimable wife celebrated their golden wedding but a few weeks ago. Not long after that felicitous affair, when the revered couple were wished many more years of earthly companionship, Mrs. Ludwig died. Since the death of his wife of so many years the Dr. has fallen rapidly, the end having been looked for the last three or four days.

F. H. Jordan, Esq., of Thomaston has received letters from California informing him of the death of his uncle, Capt. Richard Robinson at Ventura, on Feb. 6. Capt. Robinson was formerly a citizen of Thomaston and sailed out of that port in a number of different vessels, the last of which was the ship Richard Robinson. He removed to Massachusetts about 30 years ago and while living there retired from the sea. For the past few years he has made his home in California. He was 78 years of age.

News has been received of the death of Willard Blackington, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Blackington formerly of this city, in Fresno, Cal., Feb. 6, of typhoid fever. Deceased was born in this city but moved to Augusta with his parents when young. Being in failing health he went west about two years ago, visiting Mexico, New Mexico and California. At Fresno he was the guest of Miss Lucy Hatch, formerly of this city, who is the proprietor of an extensive grape and raisin vineyard. Here Mr. Blackington was tenderly cared for and received every attention. He was 22 years old and a young man of excellent habits. Besides his parents he leaves a brother and sister in Augusta.

Rockland loses another esteemed citizen in the death of Gilman L. Ulmer, which occurred Saturday. Deceased was 68 years of age, was born and always lived at the Meadows, was an attorney, farmer and limeburner; was an attendant, upright and honorable man. He was master of Pleasant Valley Grange and he enjoyed the warm friendship of all who knew him. He was twice married. First to M. Elizabeth Palmer, by whom he had four children, Clarence Ulmer, Mrs. George F. Perry, Mrs. Maynard S. Williams and Albert Ulmer all of this city. His second wife was Sophia Gray, their only child dying in infancy. In Mr. Ulmer's death the city loses a valuable and long-lived citizen. Funeral services will be solemnized this afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. C. W. Bradley to officiate.

Susan Cony Manley of Augusta, wife of J. H. Manley the national committeeman, died yesterday afternoon after a short illness of pneumonia.

## Amusements and Announcements.

Joseph Simonton will give a mask ball at Camden Opera House Thursday evening, Feb. 20. Music by Meserve's Quintet. Cars run after the ball.

The mask ball at Limerock Hall last Saturday night was postponed until next Saturday evening, Feb. 22, on account of the recent death of a respected citizen at the Meadows. Music by Meserve's Orchestra.

Lovers of good music and good acting will regret that the "Faust" company have cancelled their booking here. Manager Black received a letter from them saying that owing to the impossibility of their getting here from Bangor before 5 p. m., they could not possibly get the great quantity of scenery in place in time for a performance.

There will be a supper at St. Bernard's church this evening followed by a choice musical and literary entertainment which will comprise St. Bernard's best talent, a delightful feature of which will be an original poem by Miss Annie E. Coughlin. This will be the last until after Lent and preparations are being made to entertain a large number. The affair is in charge of Misses Mary McLoon and Annie Lynn and a delicious supper is promised.

The "Two Johns" make their appearance at the Opera house this evening, February 18, when these portly gentlemen J. C. Stewart and Paul Dresser, assisted by their company will make meritment. As Philip Johns and Peter Johns the two men make great hit and introduce a good many new jokes and situations which are striking. The support by the remainder of the company is good and some musical numbers are introduced which give great variety to the program. The instrumental music is particularly good. The basis of the plot is the old stage favorite of mistaken identity, and this brings about many amusing situations in which the two heavyweights figure largely. The play is called one of the funniest ever produced and has made a fortune for the author.

## PROTECTORS OF FISH.

The postponed meeting of the Camden Fish and Game Association was held Tuesday evening in F. K. Shaw Co's store. Officers were elected as follows: Secretary, Treasurer, F. K. Shaw; Directors, J. R. Glover, F. K. Shaw, E. G. Wiley, E. D. Harrington and L. M. Kenniston. A president will be chosen at a later meeting. It was voted to petition the commissioners to close the streams running into Megunticook lake for a period of five years. A meeting will be held at the same place tonight to complete the organization. The Camden association is booming, the members are enthusiastic and all lovers of true sport fully accord will all the association has done.

## PROMINENT CITIZEN ILL.

Mark D. Ames of South Thomaston, one of Knox county's most prominent residents, is ill by reason of a cold. Bright's disease is pronounced to be the ailment.

## NURSERY AGENTS

WANTED—To take orders on the road during the coming spring and summer. Unequalled for beginners and experienced men. We want your help and are willing to pay liberally for it. Do not fail to write at once for full information. WHITING NURSERY CO., 457 Blue Hill Ave., BOSTON, MASS.

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All are warned not to tease the animals or feed the birds, as it endangers the life of several keepers on duty. Open every week day and evening.  
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N. B.—The Best Chocolate Cream Covered Peppernuts to be found in the city at 20c per lb. made at the Sugar Bowl.

Full line of Masks, Costumes, Wigs and Theatrical Goods, Fire Works, Red Fire, etc., constantly on sale.

ROCKLAND HIGHLANDS.—Ezra Whitney and wife have both been sick with the grip. Mr. Whitney is now able to be out again, but Mrs. Whitney has had an attack of pneumonia and is still confined to her room—Miss Lucy E. Rhodes will spend the spring vacation in Portland. She will be the guest of her cousin Mrs. T. A. Joselyn—Miss Vene Hutton of Portland who has been spending the winter with her cousin Mrs. J. E. Rhodes will now visit her uncle Ezra Whitney of the Highlands.

A drowning man would have little use for a method of rescue which would require days. A dyspeptic doesn't want what to bother with a remedy that is going to take weeks to show its beneficial effect.

The Mount Lebanon Shakers are offering a product under the name of Shaker Digestive Cordial which yields immediate relief. The very first dose proves beneficial in most cases; and it is owing to their unbounded confidence in it, that they have put 10 cent sample bottles on the market. These can be had through any druggist; and it will repay the afflicted to invest the trifling sum necessary to make a trial.

The Shaker Digestive Cordial relieves by resting the stomach and aiding the digestion of food.  
Laxol is the best medicine for children. Doctors recommend it in place of Castor Oil.

Beecham's pills for constipation 10¢ and 25¢. Get the book at your druggist's and go by it.

Annual sales more than 6,000,000 boxes.

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Red Seal Tooth Powder cleanses, preserves and beautifies the teeth, invigorates the gums and purifies the breath. Warranted to contain no injurious ingredients. Prices 25 cents a bottle.

## HOT AND COLD SODA.

We are dispensing Hot Chocolate, Coffee, Ginger, Beef & C. from our hot fountain, and Ottawa Root Beer, Ginger Ale and Soda with cold fountain. All kinds of natural fruit flavors from our cold fountain.

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## Deaths.

WHITE—Rockland, February 12, to Capt. and Mrs. Elias White, a daughter.  
HARRIS—Rockland, February 10, to Mr. and Mrs. P. William Hansen, a son.  
MORSE—Thomaston, February 9, to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Morse, a son.  
KALER—Waldoboro, January 21, to Mr. and Mrs. Ballard H. Kaler, a daughter.  
GROTON—North Washington, February 5, to Mr. and Mrs. George Groton, a daughter.

## Marriages.

SAVILLE—PESTON—Rockland, February 11, at St. Peter's Episcopal church, by Rev. J. S. Moody, Richard D. Saville and Anna May, daughter of Mrs. E. E. Pesto, both of Rockland.  
BLAKE—BOYD—Boothbay, February 8, at the home of the bride's parents, by Rev. B. B. Phillips, Leon P. Blake and Stule K. Boyd, both of Boothbay. (Other papers please copy.)  
WADSWORTH—BARNES—Malden, Mass., February 1, by Rev. W. A. Evans, Randall E. Wadsworth of Belmont, Mass., and Amy Louise Barnes of Hope, Me.  
BRADLEY—RICHARDS—Union, February 7, by Rev. G. B. Chadwick, Cyrus A. Bradley of Friendship, and Annie C. Richards of Waldoboro.  
JAY—MAYO—Waldoboro, February 9, by Tyler Jay, Jr., and Maud Clark Mayo, both of Waldoboro.  
BILLINGS—POWERS—Deer Isle, January 29, Emory M. Billings and Anna A. Powers, both of Deer Isle.

BARROWS—KUN—West Rockport, February 12, by W. J. Robbins, esq., Orland J. Barrows of Rockville and Evelyn K. Kun, daughter of Waldoboro.  
GRAY—HALLOWAY, Rockland, February 9, by W. F. Tibbitts, Justice of the Peace, Willis H. Gray and Edith S. Halloway, both of this city.  
COLE—LEACH—Rockport, February 10, John Cole of Boston and Mrs. Bessie A. Leach of Warrenton.

## Deaths.

TOLMAN—Rockland, February 11, Hannah K., wife of Jeremiah Tolman, a native of Camden, aged 78 years, 7 months, 10 days.  
HUTCHINSON—Exeter, N. H., February 10, Charles H. Hutchinson, formerly of Rockland, aged 80 years, 9 months, 20 days. The remains were brought to Rockland for burial.  
DUNCAN—East Boston, Mass., February 8, J. William Duncan of Chelsea, a native of Lincolnville, formerly of Rockland, aged 72 years, 1 month.  
LUDWIG—Portland, February 7, Elizabeth, wife of Dr. Gardiner Ludwig, aged 66 years, 1 month, formerly of Rockland, aged 72 years, 1 month.  
WITHERSPON—North Haven, February 11, James C. Witherston, aged 72 years, 1 month.  
WILHAM—South Thomaston, February 13, Israel Wilham, aged 78 years.  
MCALLISTER—Rockport, February 12, Capt. Albion McAllister, aged 67 years.  
HOOVER—Camden, February 6, Charles W. Higgins, aged 45 years.  
PERRY—San Francisco, January 26, John Rogers Perry, formerly of Owl's Head, South Thomaston, native of Keene, N. H., aged 68 years.

## Silverware, Watches and Jewelry at

Guthrie's.

DOC FOUND.  
Came onto the premises of the subscriber some weeks ago a foxhound, apparently a good and valuable animal. The owner can have same by proving property and paying charges. A. W. THOMPSON, Cushing, Me.

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FARRIE B. PILLSBURY.

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Store formerly occupied by O. S. Trussell in Park Place block, and one good tenement in same block, also, desirable rooms in the Spear block and A. K. Spear block. For information apply to C. T. or F. R. SPEAR.

## GIRLS WANTED.

Girls for general housework, nurses and the nursery can obtain first-class places by applying to the intelligent office of MRS. R. C. HEDGES, 7 Grove Street, Rockland.

## TWO OPPORTUNITIES.

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## CITY OF ROCKLAND.

BOARD OF REGISTRATION.

January 31, 1896.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Registration will be in session at their room, No. 6 Berry Block, 406 Main street, upon the five secular days next preceding the 24 day of March, 1896, for the purpose of receiving and correcting the voting lists of this city. The board will be in session on the first four of said days from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m. and on the last day from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m. and on the last of said days from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m. and from 3 p. m. to 5 p. m. And as the last day of said sessions is for the purpose of verifying said lists and to complete and close up the records of the sessions, no names will be added to or stricken from said lists on said day. The Board of Registration will also be in session on the day of said election, from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m., for the purpose of giving to any registered voter whose name has been omitted from the voting list, or in whose case the corrected name, etc., upon the presentation of which certificate to the officers presiding over the election such voter will be permitted to vote.

For order Board of Registration.

NATHAN JONES, Chairman.

Attest: W. F. TIBBETTS, City Clerk.

January 31, 1896.

You are hereby notified to assemble at the several ward rooms in the city of Rockland, on MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1896, to give in your votes for Mayor, Aldermen, three Common Councilmen, Warden and Ward Clerk.

The polls will open at 10 o'clock in the forenoon and close at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Copies of the voting list may be found at the ward rooms in the several wards also in Ward 1 at A. J. Bird & Co's store, Ward 2 at Thorndike & Harding's store, Ward 3 at C. A. Haskell's store, Ward 4 at American Express office, Ward 5 at F. S. Sanborn's store, Ward 6 at A. K. Haskell's store, Ward 7 at Bird & Haskell's store.

Per order Municipal officers.

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for only

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Trade Center.  
Thomaston, Me.

### NEWS AROUND THOMASTON

#### Happenings in The Town at Terminus of Electric Road.

New Arrivals at the State Prison—  
Thomaston Ladies Now Doing House-  
work Clad in Bloomers—Sauerkraut  
Machine Invented—What the People  
Are Doing—Chat—Personals.

Those Gleason street ladies who have tried  
them say that bloomers are just the things to  
do house work in.

Capt. Walter Willey left for New York  
Friday to take charge of his schooner the  
Ella M. Willey. The Friday Club met with  
Mrs. F. F. Curling. A lovely supper was  
furnished.

"Setter" is able to take his milk every morning.

The number of boarders at the state's  
home has materially increased the past week  
as the subjoined list will show; Winfield S.  
Joy, burglary, 3 years; George B. Morrow  
accessory to breaking, entering and larceny,  
9 years; Dominicus E. Hanly, receiving  
stolen goods, 5 years; Arthur C. Webster,  
breaking and entering, 3 years; Thomas  
Quinn Common assault and battery, 3 years;  
Frank Elie, breaking and entering and  
larceny, 3 years; Ezzard Rod, breaking, enter-  
ing and larceny, 2 years; Phillip Clouting,  
breaking, entering and larceny, 2 years; John  
W. Pierce, larceny in dwelling house, 2 years;  
Charles Hanson, breaking, entering and  
larceny, 3 years; Charles Young, breaking,  
entering and larceny, 4 years; Fred Smith,  
breaking, entering and larceny, 4 years; Jer-  
emy Greenwood, assault and battery, 4 years;  
Walter M. Gilmour, assault, 5 years. These  
new comers will receive a new suit of clothes  
and be given employment in the different de-  
partments.

Knox Lodge L. O. of G. T. held its regular  
meeting Friday evening. Two visitors were  
present from Mt. Willow lodge of Warren.

The director's room and closets at the  
Thomaston National Bank have been newly  
painted and papered.

Capt. E. Colley, who has been sick for the  
past two weeks has recovered.—Sch. Rich-  
ard Hill loaded lime at J. A. Creighton &  
Co.'s Friday.

John Stackpole has filled his ice house—  
Miss Carrie Robinson of Rockport was the  
guest of Mrs. Henry Shaw, Thursday.—Mrs.  
Arthur White of Rockland was in town  
Thursday.—Miss Harden of Hebron is  
visiting her classmate, Miss Emma Fountain  
Friday afternoon.

Mrs. A. Vinal, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Thomas,  
Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Vinal visited in Warren,  
Friday.—Miss Edith Ludwig of Liberty is  
the guest of her sister Mrs. John Tillson.—  
Charles Percy came from Portland, Friday.  
—Rev. L. A. Abraham of Green's Landing  
was the guest of Rev. Clayton Boothby, Thurs-  
day.

Harry Neviers, well known in base ball cir-  
cles was at the Knox House, last week.—  
Capt. I. Willey arrived home from sea Fri-  
day.

George Woodbury, son of D. W. Woodbury  
who has been in the ship A. G. Ropes the  
past two years has gone second mate of the  
ship Santa Clara.—F. A. Washburn of  
Waterville spent last week in town.—Capt.  
Wilbur Wilson arrived home from Savannah  
the first of the week.—Capt. Allan Strong  
is home from sea. His vessel is at New York.  
—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Campbell have  
returned from a visit to Boston.—Dr. H. C.  
Levensaler attended a meeting of the U. S.  
pension board at Rockland, Wednesday.—  
Capt. John Bond of Port Clyde was in town  
Wednesday.

At the Wm. A. Campbell sail loft sails are  
being made for ship J. B. Walker, now at  
New York.

The laugh is on one of our nincoms who  
recently spent a day in the woods hunting  
for his bound while the dog was at the time  
toasting himself by the fire in the rear room  
of a drug store.

Fred Shibles, a Thomaston boy, who has  
served several years on the New York police

### Horses For Sale!



Clinton - House - Stable,  
THOMASTON,  
Tuesday, Feb. 18th,  
And remain FIVE DAYS with a car load of  
UPPER CANADA HORSES

This lot does not run so large; they are round-  
rumped shanks weighing from 1000 to 1400, used to  
heavy snow, cold weather and hard work. Every  
one warranted as represented.

G. I. Burrows

force has recently been promoted to the  
office of sergeant.

E. C. Jameson of Friendship is visiting  
W. B. Bradford.—Robert Bickford of New-  
bury, Me., is visiting in town.—Arcan-  
lodge K. of P. worked in the ranks of Esquire  
and Knight at their meeting Wednesday  
night.—Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Bean returned  
to Portland Wednesday.—Sch. Ella Pressey,  
Maloney, discharged a cargo of coal for  
Burgess, O'Brien & Co., last week.—The  
Ladies Circle of the Congregationalist Society  
met with Mrs. John Ruggles, Wednesday.

T. B. Brown has a new awning in front of  
his drug store.

The Ladies circle of the Methodist Society  
met at their vestry Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Smith of Bucksport  
are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George B.  
Macomber.—Inspectors Gilman, Bailey and  
Sawyer were at the prison Tuesday and Wed-  
nesday.

C. H. Washburn had a crew of men at  
work in his sail loft last week making sails for  
schooner James L. Jordan.

Joshua Pratt of Warren was in town Wed-  
nesday to meet Mrs. Pratt who has been visit-  
ing friends in Martinsville.

M. E. Webber has recently put out a new  
sign. It has a black background and gilt  
letters.

The restaurant of Mr. O. H. Gloyd was a  
place of festivity Wednesday evening. Ochea,  
the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs.  
Gloyd, celebrated her fourteenth birthday with  
a party. Thirty of her young friends met to  
offer their congratulations and enjoy the oc-  
casion. After indulging in different games  
the floor was cleared and to the lively music  
of Prof. Desmit's violin the nimble feet  
of the dancers. At 9 o'clock the  
tables were spread and all partook of the  
nice refreshments that were served. Fancy  
crackers, candy, ice cream and cake were  
furnished in abundance. At 10 o'clock the  
guests bade their hostess good-night with  
many expressions of their enjoyment of the  
evening.

The Excelsior Club met at the home of  
George Newcombe, Wednesday evening.  
The question discussed was "Resolved that a  
classical education is a benefit to a man en-  
gaged in ordinary business;" disputants, A.  
Lafayette, Leander Morse, Walter Reed; neg-  
ative, Fred Elwell, Eldest Andrews.

E. L. Dillingham & Co. received a car  
load of grain last week.

Miss Ethel Willey entertained a select  
company at her home, Knox street, Tuesday  
evening. Music and tableaux furnished en-  
tertainment. A lunch was served. Those  
present were Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Brown,  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert K. Shibles from town  
and Mr. Sperry Locke of Portland.

Capt. Randall Davis of Cushing spent a  
few days in town last week.—Mrs. Jesse  
Strong of Warren called upon Mrs. J. A. Washburn  
last week.—Mrs. Wm. G. Washburn is ill  
with the measles.—Mrs. Harriet Matthews  
of Tenants Harbor was in town last week.—  
O. G. Averill and E. J. Geyer have recently  
purchased a part of Capt. Frank Russell's in-  
terest in sch. James R. Talbot.—Frank  
Hills has filled his ice house at Mill River  
Hills with a quantity of ice from Beechwood's  
quarry.—Tax Collector Chas. Redman went  
to Gardiner, Friday.—Capt. Allan Strong  
left for New York Friday to join his vessel  
sch. Phineas W. Sprague.—Robins made  
their appearance at Beechwood's 7th day  
of the present month. This is unusually  
early.

The Wadsworth street and Mill River  
schools were suspended a day or two last  
week on account of the sickness of the teach-  
ers, Misses Martha McPhail and Agnes Mc-  
Namara.

Capt. Fernando Francis was in town last  
week.—Mrs. John Maloney and children  
have been sick with the measles.

Sanford Delano has invented a sauer kraut  
cure and press that lightens the work of  
kraft making very much. The press has  
been tested and gave excellent satisfaction.

Mrs. Fessenden Allen fell upon the ice  
Sunday evening and broke her hip.—Rev.  
Clayton Boothby is confined to the house  
with sickness.

Rev. John Cummings of Boston gave a  
very interesting talk on mission work among  
the Burmese, Sunday afternoon at the Baptist  
church. The evening the pastor  
W. A. Newcombe, preached an instructive  
sermon, after which he administered the  
ordinance of baptism to two persons.

Rev. W. A. Newcombe went to Hallowell  
yesterday.—Advised letters in postoffice  
Feb. 17, Burpee R. Starrett, Thomas Watts  
—The family of John McLean, was in town  
Thursday.—Miss E. L. Crawford,  
teacher of Main street intermediate school is  
sick.—On account of the severe cold  
several of the schools had one session Mon-  
day.—Quite a delegation of G. A. R. men  
attend encampment at Bangor this week.—  
C. A. Creighton will leave this week for  
visit to the Carolinas.—Mrs. Helen Watts  
went to Boston Saturday.—Mrs. John  
McCoy is visiting in Manchester, N. H.  
—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Patterson of Whitefield  
are in town.—Mrs. Dana Dow has re-  
turned from a visit to Boston.—Henry  
Knox Chapter held a special meeting Friday  
evening.—The attendance at the musical  
entertainment at the Methodist church Friday  
evening was small.

Burrows has a fine lot of horses at the  
Clinton House stable. He will remain the  
balance of the week, and give some big  
trades in horses. They are all warranted as  
represented.

For the benefit of your family was written  
on a small package presented to a sufferer.  
He had insurance, but this package contained  
Adamson's Cough Balsam and restored him to  
health after taking a few doses.

There are quite a number of sick people in  
town.—George Thomas and Leon Staples  
have returned to Waterville.—Freeman  
Smith and C. S. Staples have filled their ice  
house with ice from Lily pond.—James O.  
Brown has built a large house for boat build-  
ing.—James Dutton of Lincolnville is visit-  
ing at Mrs. J. Witherspoon's.—The high  
school closed Monday, Feb. 10, after a short  
illness of typhoid fever.—J. O. Brown had a  
dance in his new house Wednesday evening.

MARTINSVILLE.—Lucius Bond who has  
been visiting in Cushing came home Friday  
—Walter Barter who is working in Port-  
land is home on a two weeks vacation.  
George Hupper has traded horses with Mr.  
O'Brien of Warren and now has a nicely  
matched pair.—The Baptist church will  
have a roll call on Thursday, Feb. 27, and  
invitations have been sent to absent members.  
There will be services at the church after-  
noon and evening with supper in the vestry  
—St. George Lodge I. O. O. F. No. 132  
visited Warren Lodge on Friday evening and  
conferred the initiation degree on a new  
brother.—Leslie Packard of Warren is visiting  
his brother Rev. S. A. Packard for a few days.  
—J. Adam Wiley has traded horses again.

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Metallic  
Waterproof  
Soles,  
Always Flexible, therefore easy to wear.

Price \$2.50 and \$3.00 per pair.

CALL AND SEE THEM.

Edw. Brown

TELEGRAPH BLOCK,  
THOMASTON, -MAINE

#### OF INTEREST TO COOPERS.

W. K. Morrison & Co. of Minneapolis,  
Minn., certainly have in their Penney's  
Monitor Improved Hoop Look Cutter an  
invention that will prove a boon to all  
coopers, and we heartily recommend it to the  
trade. H. H. Crie & Co., of this city are the  
local agents, and will always carry a stock on  
hand, and will be pleased to have you call  
and inspect them. An illustration of the  
article appears in another column.

#### WASHINGTON.

No. WASHINGTON.—The condition of  
Daniel Jones remains unchanged. He has  
been entirely speechless all the time.—Odis  
Day is quite ill and it is thought is suffering  
with a cancer of the stomach.—Peter Len-  
fest harvested his annual ice crop last week  
from Palermo lake.—Miss Rose Grotton  
went to Union Monday where she has a situ-  
ation.—A young man came home Wednes-  
day night from the Willing Workers supper  
at Razoville staggering under the weight of a  
big cake which he was requested to deliver to  
certain parties here. If the donor could have  
done their hearts good. The ladies of  
Razoville are grand cooks, and their suppers  
are far famed.

The Good Will society of So. Liberty met  
with Mrs. Caleb Stickney at the residence of  
Dea Chas. Bradstreet last Wednesday after-  
noon, and \$5 was gathered for the chapel. The  
next meeting will be on Feb. 14, 15 and 16  
with Mrs. Hannah Prescott, and a grand  
good time is anticipated.—Miss Lillian  
Prescott is home again, after being employed  
for sometime at So. Liberty.

RAZOVILLE.—Revs. W. W. Ozier and  
Carl Peterson called on P. G. Ingalls Tues-  
day evening.—The Good Will society met  
with Mrs. E. Dodge Wednesday after-  
noon. A nice supper was served and a  
very pleasant evening spent in singing and  
social chat.—Rev. E. C. Shattuck, Dea.  
Samuel Cunningham and P. G. Ingalls went  
as a delegate to the Montville quarterly meet-  
ing in North Cushing, the 14, 15 and 16  
inst. A nice supper was served and a  
very pleasant evening spent in singing and  
social chat.—Mrs. Maria Pelton died at her home Tuesday evening.  
She was 84 years old.

#### ROCKPORT NEWS.

The ladies of the Congregational society  
will give a supper in the Carleton block, Wed-  
nesday evening.—The high school had a  
ride to Warren Wednesday evening. Several  
invited friends accompanied them.—There  
was in port last Friday, seven three masted  
schooners, and two four masted, besides sev-  
eral line coasters.

Mrs. R. A. Rich of Winterport is visiting  
her brother, S. J. Treat.—Miss Mamie  
Wyllie of Warren visited Mrs. C. A. Benner  
last week.

A little daughter of A. Conic came near  
being suffocated during the fire at his house.  
She slept in a chamber above the kitchen  
which had a ventilator in the floor through  
which the smoke came pouring into the room.  
She was partly awakened when found sitting  
up in bed.

The G. E. Carleton Company a corpora-  
tion organized here filed for registry at Rock-  
land last Thursday. The purposes are for the  
manufacturing of lime and all kinds of deal-  
ings connected therewith and having a capi-  
tal of \$100,000.—The corporation is organ-  
ized under the general laws of the state of  
Maine. The capital stock is \$100,000, of  
which \$50,000 is paid in; the officers are G.  
E. Carleton, Pres.; Guy Carleton, Treasurer;  
Directors, G. E. Carleton, Guy Carleton and  
G. W. C. Carleton.

The Christian Endeavor's had a pleasant  
social at the Baptist vestry, Friday evening  
—The revival meetings at the Methodist  
church last week were disarranged by the  
illness of the pastor.—The sch. Leona,  
while working up to the wharf Friday, struck  
on a rock near the spindle for a few moments  
but came off without damage.—The East  
side intermediate school had a sleigh ride to  
Warren Saturday, which was enlivened with  
fish horns and youthful lungs.

#### HOPE.

E. F. Coose of Weymouth, Mass., came  
Saturday leaving Monday, called by the illness  
of his father.—J. H. Wright from seven  
cows made 2,105 lbs. of butter last year. All  
except what his family uses goes to regular  
customers.—C. D. Barnes and his daughter  
Amy went to Boston last week.—Miles  
Keene and family of Weymouth visited Mrs.  
Keene's parents Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Coose.  
Mr. Coose is in very poor health.—Miss  
Julia Wentworth of Appleton visited Mrs.  
Lizzie Clough last week.—Mr. Pulsifer  
closed his school at the Corner last week.—  
Mr. Taylor our tax collector has been calling  
on his fellow citizens preparatory to settling  
up the town affairs.

#### NORTH HAVEN.

There are quite a number of sick people in  
town.—George Thomas and Leon Staples  
have returned to Waterville.—Freeman  
Smith and C. S. Staples have filled their ice  
house with ice from Lily pond.—James O.  
Brown has built a large house for boat build-  
ing.—James Dutton of Lincolnville is visit-  
ing at Mrs. J. Witherspoon's.—The high  
school closed Monday, Feb. 10, after a short  
illness of typhoid fever.—J. O. Brown had a  
dance in his new house Wednesday evening.

#### ST. GEORGE.

MARTINSVILLE.—Lucius Bond who has  
been visiting in Cushing came home Friday  
—Walter Barter who is working in Port-  
land is home on a two weeks vacation.  
George Hupper has traded horses with Mr.  
O'Brien of Warren and now has a nicely  
matched pair.—The Baptist church will  
have a roll call on Thursday, Feb. 27, and  
invitations have been sent to absent members.  
There will be services at the church after-  
noon and evening with supper in the vestry  
—St. George Lodge I. O. O. F. No. 132  
visited Warren Lodge on Friday evening and  
conferred the initiation degree on a new  
brother.—Leslie Packard of Warren is visiting  
his brother Rev. S. A. Packard for a few days.  
—J. Adam Wiley has traded horses again.

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#### CAMDEN.

Mask ball at Camden Opera House Thurs-  
day evening, Feb. 20.

The Baptist Ladies Circle met Wednesday  
afternoon with Mrs. William Smith.—The  
Ladies Guild of St. Thomas church was en-  
tertained Wednesday afternoon by Mrs. C.  
S. Sabia, High street.

A box containing glass packed in straw  
caught fire in some unaccountable way Wed-  
nesday, in the glazing shop of the Camden  
Lumber Company. The fire was seen by  
David Rollins the glazier before it had made  
any headway and was quickly extinguished.  
A strong breeze was blowing at the time and  
had the fire got fairly started there would  
have been a serious conflagration.

One of the largest and pleasantest parties  
of the season was given Friday evening at the  
home of Mr. and Mrs. William Glover on Sea  
street by Misses Sara Glover and Marian  
Kelley. Given in honor of St. Valentine, it  
was very appropriately styled a Heart party.  
When all were seated at the card tables in the  
spacious and attractive parlors many a sight  
went up from table No. 8, as it was realized  
what a journey it was to reach the goal when  
the young lady rang the bell, and how many  
hearts would probably be lost on the way.  
The game was whist. The tallies, cut little  
red hearts on yellow and red ribbon, while  
the tables were numbered with hearts. After  
whist was exhausted, nice refreshments were  
served consisting of pineapple pie, strawberry  
icecream and assorted cakes, then came a  
game of hearts, followed by St. Valentine's  
own game, namely shooting arrows at a large  
red heart. The heart was pinned to the por-  
tieres and an arrow which pierced the heart of  
fortune counted in the game. Arrows flew  
high and low, near and far to the mark and it  
was very amusing to watch the archers. Some  
of the guests were quite skillful and to Miss  
Mae Decrow and H. D. Story was awarded the  
first prizes, while Miss Walker of Liberty  
and C. C. Wood carried away the bouillies, Mr.  
Wood being the happy receiver of a gay  
sandy heart. This game was followed by the  
hostesses passing a tray of unsealed envelopes;  
these were found to contain dainty valentines  
decorated and written by Misses Kelley and  
Glover, many of them original. Each as his  
number was called came to the center of the  
room and read his lines. One young man  
read his in tones most eloquent. It ran thus:

Camden has beauty  
Camden has view  
But best of all  
Camden has you.

Another young man "had a little heart to hit"  
the "rent was constant love." A young lady  
came out loud and strong with "And must I  
die an old maid," the verse ending with "I  
am sure it is not my fault." After the reading  
of the valentines the guests wished the host-  
esses "bon nuit" and Misses Kelley and Glover  
were congratulated on the success of the  
affair. Invited guests were Misses Mary  
Hogkins, Teresa Arau, Nell Burd, Lottie  
Andrews, Mrs. F. L. Curtis, Mr. and Mrs.  
Monroe, Louise Stetson, Adelyn Adams, Bessie  
Adams, Florence Towle, Lena Cleveland,  
Lelia Bucklin, Mae Decrow, David Davis,  
Katherine Walker, Liberty, Me., Addie  
Tucker, Jessie Lewis, Emily Burd, Lottie  
Andrews, Mrs. F. L. Curtis, Mr. and Mrs.  
P. O. Coombs, Mr. and Mrs. E. S.  
Stearns, Hon. and Mrs. Reuel Robinson, J. R.  
Small, T. Jenness French, H. P. Buchanan, C.  
T. Swan, C. C. Wood, F. T. Gould, H. D.  
Storey, H. J. Shaw, Rockland, R. K. Bearce,  
Rockland, L. E. Wardwell.

Miss Cora Frances Hopkins celebrated her  
sixth birthday last Tuesday by receiving a  
large party of friends at the Ocean View  
House from 5 to 9:30 o'clock. Those who  
participated were Nettie Glidden, Helen San-  
born, Hattie and Ralph Haskell, Josie, Sadie  
and Justin Coombs, Helen Carter, Hope  
Black, Josie Jones, Mary and Elmer Noyes,  
Carl Leafe, Willie and Manard Coombs,  
Nellie and Lyford Arey, Frankie Hopkins,  
Mont Arey, Langtry Smith, Clyne Ingalls,  
Charlie and Leon Hopkins. At 6:30 a basket  
was set on a table in the upper hall and over  
its sides were draped brightly colored ribbons  
to the ends of which name cards were at-  
tached. The young gentlemen chose their  
favorite color and seeking the lady whose  
name appeared on the card offered himself as  
an escort for the march to the dining-room  
where they seated themselves around  
supper tables. The menu included roast  
chicken, cold meats, salads, sandwiches, cran-  
berry jelly, ginger snaps, ices, assorted cakes,  
fruit and lemonade. A corps of waiters at-  
tended to their many wants as promptly as  
though they were a party of millionaire  
boarders. After games and other amuse-  
ments the guests departed leaving many birth-  
day gifts for the little hostess.

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great deal of work, a long time and much money are necessary to establish a good system.

In the short time that I have been in Rockland I have spent the greater part of the time in becoming acquainted, I now invite your consideration of the following:

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.	
Balance from last year,	\$3054 05
Appropriation by City Council,	10950 00
High School,	1500 00
State School Fund and Mill Tax,	8807 37
High School Fund,	275 00
From tuition,	10 00
sale of stove, books, etc.,	2 97
Total,	\$20719 39
EXPENDITURES.	
Teacher's salaries,	\$12906 85
Janitor's,	1385 05
Pay's,	1285 31
Fuel, labor, materials, etc.,	2811 71
Error,	20
Total,	\$18308 12
Balance unexpended,	\$2401 27
TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES FUND.	
Appropriation,	\$1200
Amount expended,	1200

Considering the best interests of the schools, it will not answer to run them on such small funds as is being done this year. The appropriations were too small and old from them were to be paid many bills contracted last year. Consequently the work this year was seriously handicapped by lack of money. Many books must be bought to replace worn out copies, new geographies in the upper grades were very much needed, books for the study of literature are almost entirely lacking in all grades. In order to do good work we must have enough books and supplies. The next text book appropriation ought to be at least \$1400. With this amount we can do fair work.

TEACHERS.

It is a pleasure to work with a corps of teachers who are enthusiastic, active and ambitious. Such teachers we have. In all work they are ready to do their best for the schools. Such a spirit greatly lightens the work of a superintendent, especially during his first year.

In regard to the pay of the teachers, I think we can and should make an improvement. In many cases the wages are unjust. True merit should be rewarded whether we find it in grade and two, five or six. The primary schools of today have outgrown old methods and notions. To perform well the duties of these lower grades requires as much natural ability, as much time, and as much labor as do the higher grades. A merely mechanical teacher is hard work as much out of place in a lower grade as in a higher. Teachers are adapted by nature to certain ages or grades of pupils. One may do excellent work in a primary grade and fail in one of the upper schools. The reverse is also true. It is a sin to place a successful primary teacher in a high grade simply because there she may earn a dollar or two more per week.

Eleven teachers out of 20 in our first grades are working for \$2.50 per week (\$7 per week); only 5 receive \$3.00. Many of the teachers have taught several years. Beginning with the fifth grade, all teachers receive \$3.40 (\$10 per week).

This sum is pretty small for a teacher to live on. It is necessary for many to support themselves properly, if they did not live with parents, or if they paid for board in vacation.

There is little opportunity for a teacher to earn money in vacation even if she had the strength to do it. Teaching is hard work and there must be a chance to recuperate. There are many demands upon a teacher's money—she must dress well, subscribe for one or more educational magazines, visit other schools occasionally, in fact she must keep up with the times or soon lose her efficiency. Affairs in the educational world are alive and changing, improving with great rapidity. The demands upon our teachers were never greater and will still increase as these schools keep abreast of the times.

No teacher should be asked to give her time and work for less than \$300 per year. If she can not earn this small sum we have no need of her. While it may seem necessary for us at present to fix the maximum salary at \$400 it should not be necessary for one to teach 15 or 20 years in order to receive the maximum. I believe it is possible to arrange a plan whereby true merit shall get its due. Of course with such a system teachers of little or no merit could not be advanced, they should not even be retained. Hard as it may be for the teacher and disagreeable as it may be for the committee to discontinue the services of a teacher, the interests of these are greatly at stake, but the vital interest of the children each year are at stake. This alone must be the standard of qualification.

#### PROFESSIONAL STUDY.

The greater part of our teachers have a desire to do professional reading. Considering this I recommended the International Reading Course, edited by Dr. Harris, U. S. Commissioner of Education. Much to my surprise and gratification over 25 teachers at once formed a circle and ordered the books. We have a meeting once a week. Already we have had several meetings and the interest seems to be increasing. The books studied are Baldwin's Psychology, Painter's History of Education, Howard's Practical Hints for Teachers, and Page's Theory and Practice of Teaching. Such a course of study by our teachers will be a tremendous impetus for good work in the school room. I believe this circle is the first of the kind and the largest in the state.

#### SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

Since last year so many changes have been made that I will give a detailed statement of the schools as they now are:

Revol.	Grade.	Teacher.	No. pupils registered.	No. pupils full term.
High		Geo. F. Kenney, Prin.		
		H. R. Bourse, Sub. Prin.		
		Hattie E. Robb, Asst.	154	
		Anna E. Coughlin,		
McLain,	5th	Miss M. Hall,	41	
		Mrs. Eva D. Snow,	41	
	8th	Louise L. Walker,	30	
		Mary C. Tyler,	41	
		Lizelle K. O'Donnell,	41	
	7th	Mrs. Nellie E. Kestel,	41	
		Georgia D. Sweetland,	41	
	4th & 5th	Mary A. Wentworth,	64	
		Kathleen M. Coburn, substitute,		
	2nd,	Mabel S. Hodgkins,	35	
		Josephine A. Thurnidke,	35	
		Nellie J. Walker, Asst.	35	
High Bldg	5th	Georgia K. Henderson,	42	
	4th	Bessie E. Hall,	42	
Pearson	5th	Nina A. Daley,	42	
		Edna G. Shields,	42	
	4th	Ellen J. Cochran,	42	
		Lizelle Bawtelle,	38	
	2nd	Angie Graves,	38	
		Alice P. Starrett,	38	
		Linda Guppli, Asst.	38	
Warren	5th	Ella A. Booker,	44	
	6th	M. Lena Miller,	44	
	4th	Lillian M. Butler,	44	
		Lacy E. Walker,	44	
		Margaret Flanagan,	44	
	1st	Adelle M. Thomas,	44	
Camden	5th & 2nd	Sarah M. Brewster,	34	
		Matie Bradford,	34	
Grace St.	5th & 2nd	Eva T. Wooster,	41	
		Est. Monina Melrose,	41	
Oreston St.	5th & 2nd	Lacy J. Wood,	29	
		1st Lottie M. Harden,	29	
Blackington's Cor.		1st Carrie E. Arnold,	26	
Middle St.		1st to 6th, Ella J. Cleveland,	14	
Banner Hill	1st to 9th	Lacy E. Rhodes,	22	
Total,			1836	
Teacher of Music,		Emilie S. Phillips,		

This arrangement is very good in most respects, yet in the central part of the city we are still crowded. Two classes, the 5th and 6th grades, are in the High School building. This building ought to be used for the High school alone. In one room of the McLain school are two classes, 3d and 4th grades. The work in these classes is greatly impeded by the number of scholars. As at present indicated, another year will require a third eighth grade. This will push out another primary school from this building. Where are these pupils to go? Every room in the High school is in use.

There is a great need of a 6 room building for primary schools in the center of the city. Such a building would remedy the schools on Lincoln street and also remedy the evils on Grace street. Fifty years of use have made the school house on Grace street rather old fashioned and shabby. It is unhygienic in the extreme. The sanitary arrangements, as one member of the Board of Health remarked are "rather primitive." It may seem best to repair the Grace street building and remodel the two lower floors of the High school building. Such a change in the High school would be permanent and greatly beneficial, but I hesitate to recommend an outlay of four or five hundred dollars on the Grace street building. But something must be done on Grace street next summer. The building is not suitable for a school. The schools should be taken from there or repairs made. The repairs should be made on the Grace street school and more modern seats put in their place. Those benches were made for large pupils and the building is now used for the first three grades.

The Middle street school consists at present of 60 pupils in 6 grades. Of this number three are scholars of another town. We are directly concerned then with only 57 pupils. Three of these will come down to the seventh grade next fall, leaving only six. Of these 6 four properly live in other school sections. There is no evidence of any beginning to enter this school next year. To run this school it costs more than a dollar per week for each pupil. In view of the large expense and of the fact that all of these children can be taught in other schools it seems advisable to discontinue this school at the close of the present term.

#### NON-ATTENDANCE.

As shown by the '95 census the school population of the city was 2337. Between 5 and 15 years of age there are 1111. The total enrollment of the school shows about 1330. In the school enrollment are about 1300 pupils sixteen years of age and over. The laws of the state require all children between 5 and 15 years of age to attend school at least 16 weeks each year. It is evident that a large number of the children do not attend school according to the state requirements since only about 1200 of the 1500 appear on the school records.

The only way to deal with this problem is to have the constant work of an active vigilant truant officer. The laws of truancy need exercising. Two or three of the worst cases punished by a term in the Reform school would have a salutary effect upon children troubled with this disease.

The greater part of the work will necessarily devolve upon one officer. This work should not be given to a janitor of a school building. He must be at the schoolhouse during the session.

Neither has the city marshal time to attend to it. Some can be found whose business will allow him to attend to this work. Of course a suitable compensation must be given. But it will be money well invested, for, if children can go and come as they please, the results are serious upon the schools.

#### DRAWING AND WRITING.

For many years the Dutton Writing Books have been used in this city. Almost every other text book in use so long ago has been replaced by one of later and improved ideas. Improvements in writing books have been made no less than in geography, arithmetic and other studies so that now there are several series of copy books on the market much better than ours. We should take every advantage offered by improved text books, especially since a change will make but little difference in cost. Since a change seems desirable I shall recommend the adoption of vertical writing. Vertical writing is no longer a fad. It has been demonstrated in many cities that this writing is much better especially in the lower grades.

Some of the advantages of vertical writing are: (1) legibility; (2) naturalness; (3) it has been shown in many places that children in the first grades have a strong tendency to make upright figures; (4) the Rockland schools this is very noticeable. The best writing in our very low grades is vertical and these writers have never had any instructions to write this way. The teachers writing which they copy is written on a board in a slant hand. Little children acquire a good vertical hand in a much shorter time than it takes for a good slant hand. Third hygiene—the position taken in vertical writing is more natural, better for the eyes and there is no crook in the neck or spine. (4) Simply—it is easier for the children to acquire and easier to teach. We can get more uniform work in the different grades. For more than a year I have investigated and experimented with this style of writing, visiting schools where it is in use, talking with superintendents and teachers and finally taking lessons myself of a teacher well known in the writing world. From this investigation I am convinced that it is most practical for school work.

The object of penmanship in the schools is to have each pupil acquire a legible hand suitable for every day affairs and one that can be used with ease and a fair degree of speed. Much that has been said about copy books might be said with equal truth concerning drawing books. The White System was introduced here about seven years ago. This is not too long a time to use a set of books provided we get desired results. It is a very significant fact that this system of drawing has been used by two or three different publishers, the present owner being the Prang Educational Co. This company particularly repudiates the White System and while they will sell it to any who call for it, they do not push it sale but always recommend another system which anyone can see is much better. We pay each year for drawing books about \$175. With this same amount we can secure better results. Such a change will not be hard for the teachers for they are already familiar with the principles of drawing and such a system as we require will be accompanied with teachers' manuals giving specific instructions. In order to get the best results we should have a special teacher of writing and drawing as well as of music. The time for such an instructor may not be at hand, but until then let us give our teachers and pupils the very best books.

#### MUSIC.

I have only words of commendation for the music in our schools. Much praise is due the special teacher and all the regular teachers for the efficiency of this work. No one familiar with the work can regret the amount of time and money expended on this study. There is probably no one study in the curriculum that so elevates and strengthens the character of the pupils as music.

#### HIGH SCHOOL.

The school year began with three new

teachers in the High school. However the school has been carried on smoothly and in certain lines work hitherto unattempted has been successfully introduced.

The English department now has a teacher the greater part of whose time is given to this work. More attention is now given to this important study in nearly all high schools. The college requirements in English have been considerably increased recently. This department in our schools needs books.

In the line of sciences the geology was especially strengthened last year with specimens and appliances. This year a room on the third floor has been equipped for a laboratory course in physics. Tools and rough materials have been procured with which the teacher and pupils make many of the appliances. The entire cost of this work for the year including tools, tables, materials and a few instruments purchased will be less than \$100. Yet the interest shown by the pupils and the actual work accomplished will exceed the results obtained in many costly laboratories.

The special needs of the school are not many. The greatest need is a rearrangement of the rooms. There is room enough, were it available. The amount of waste space in this building is enormous. Most of the recitation rooms are too small for the large classes.

It would greatly benefit the school if the Intermediate classes could be removed to some other building. The difference in size and age of these pupils is not conducive to good discipline.

#### POOR DEPARTMENT.

R. C. Hall, chairman of the Board of Overseers of the Poor, submits the following report.

RECEIPTS.	
Mails orders,	\$12,444 45
Mayor's from city farm,	800 45
Total,	\$12,944 90

#### DISBURSEMENTS.

Supplies charged almshouse, including fuel and repairs,	\$1254 39
Supplies charged city store,	2236 47
Fuel outside of almshouse,	1352 60
Support of persons outside of almshouse,	1967 70
Pal's support of paupers in other towns,	465 72
Pal for stationery, postage and printing,	68 17
Pal for freight, transportation and carriage,	312 61
Pal for support of non-resident paupers,	1406 24
Pal Maine Infirmary Hospital,	2889 74
Pal State Reform School,	219 45
Pal Industrial School at Hallowell,	91 00
Pal House of the Good Shepherd,	101 39
Pal city treasurer,	209 71
Total,	\$12,804 89

#### ASSETS.

Supplies at city store Feb. 10, 1896,	\$292 93
" " almshouse "	530 05
Stock at city farm,	144 64
Due from towns and individuals,	144 64
Total,	\$1068 26

#### Cost of domestic poor.

\$9472 73

The number of persons residing at the house Feb. 11, 1895, was 23. Twenty-four were admitted during the year. There were three deaths and 28 were discharged or left. The number remaining at the almshouse Feb. 10, 1896, was 42. There has been collected from towns and individuals and paid into the city treasury during the year the sum of \$1706.42. Ninety-two families whose legal settlement is in Rockland have been assisted outside of the almshouse. The number of families receiving assistance whose residence is in other towns, but whose legal settlement is in Rockland, is four, numbering in all 19 persons. The number of families having their settlement in other places but residing in Rockland and receiving assistance is 12, numbering in all 126 persons. One hundred and seven persons, including tramps have been assisted, who have no legal settlement in the State.

The city farm has been kept up to its excellent condition as reported one year ago. About four acres have been added to the hay fields and the crops have yielded a good report for the labor and money expended.

We wish to urge the necessity of a larger appropriation for this department. The cost of the domestic poor will be seen by the above figures approximate \$8500. With an appropriation of \$9500 and an aggregate of nearly \$3000 paid to various state institutions from this sum, the insufficiency of the appropriation is apparent. The figures tell the whole story.

The building at the city farm will need painting the coming year, otherwise the necessary outlay will be nominal. The larger part of the inmates at the almshouse are old and in a feeble condition and require constant and unremitting attention, which is always cheerfully given by Mr. and Mrs. Perry.

The duties of the city physician have been very arduous the past year, requiring a larger amount of time than usual. Dr. Jenkins has always been ready to respond to all calls by night as well as by day and has been kind and sympathetic in his care of the poor, giving them the best of medical treatment.

#### CITY LIQUOR AGENCY.

Stock on hand, Feb. 11, 1896,	\$1059 78
" " purchased during the year,	2089 87
Total,	\$3549 65
Cash sales for the year,	\$2802 46
Stock on hand Feb. 11, 1896,	1059 83
Total,	\$3549 65
Balance for profit,	\$407 64
Total,	\$3588 29

The city liquor agency committee is made up of Aldermen Hix and Kallach.

#### STREET COMMISSIONER.

C. S. Crockett, who is at the head of this department presents a report which is complete in every detail. Our abstract will be read with interest, for the street department is one of the most important in the city. Mayor Lovejoy drew his orders on highway and sewer funds in the sum of \$13,331.11. This includes \$925 to Street Commissioner F. M. Simmons. Itemized the orders were as follows:

Bills paid by street commissioner Simmons,	\$550 61
Bills paid by city treasurer,	808 45
City teams,	601 48
New sidewalks, 9450 feet,	1196 45
Repairing sidewalks,	1188 78
Streets,	4507 35
Cleaning paving,	472 90
Sprinkling street,	826 00
Shovel account,	91 99
New sewer, Franklin street, 867 feet,	414 60
New sewer, Jefferson street, 900 feet,	443 28
Miscellaneous account,	261 14
Total,	\$18,381.11

New sidewalks were laid by the present administration as follows: New County road, 822 feet, costing \$242.23; Portland street, 218 feet, costing \$37.50; North street, 75 feet, costing \$170.93; Limerock street, 3712 feet, costing \$764.89; Pine street, 774 feet, costing \$173.07; North Main street, 75 feet, costing \$14.07; Pleasant street, 157 feet, costing \$45.77; Gay street, 692 feet, costing \$207.73; Cedar street, 1844 feet, \$449.68; Crescent street, 267 feet, costing \$82.90; Mechanic street, 189 feet, \$56.55; Beech street, 595 feet, costing \$123. The cost of repaving sidewalks was \$1019.75. Setting curb stones on Lindsey street cost \$85, and on Masonic street \$82.

The cost of repairing streets was as follows: Union street, \$61.18; South Main street, \$56.50 (this street also has a new catch basin costing \$35.15); Broadway, \$141.40; Old Thomaston road, \$151.60; Broad street, \$79.25; Lovejoy street \$2;

Pine street \$7.50; Chestnut street, \$5.50; North Main street, \$108.82; Pleasant street, \$31.50; Camden street, \$55.60; Sea street, place, \$3; Limerock street, \$57; Front street, \$160.45; Waldo avenue, \$7.55; Ocean avenue, \$10; Main street, \$237.70; Holmes street, \$68.15; New County road, \$41.20; Old County road, \$61.50; Summer street, \$59.51; Spruce street, \$61.50; Water street, \$18; Sea street, \$25; Albany street, \$9; Park street, \$281.20; Willow street, \$61; Spruce street, \$63; Pacific street, \$16; Elm street, \$2; Oak street \$5; School street, \$6; Mavorick street, \$2.40; Rankin street, \$82.50; Gay street \$70; Tea street \$8; Orange street, \$111.05; Franklin street, \$16; Brick street, \$6; Crescent street, \$38.60; Cedar street, \$289; Beech street, \$146; Middle street, \$121; West Meadow, \$528.32; road between Rockport and Water street, \$47.2; Main street, cleaning paving, \$47.2. Sprinkling by N. Ward cost \$336.

#### TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

In Aug. 1894 it was deemed desirable to make a beginning for the establishing of a library. Prof. George Little librarian of Bowdoin college was selected to come here for consultation and he gave, gratuitously, most valuable information and made important suggestions about catalogues and the buying of books. Two spacious and convenient rooms were located, on the second floor of Spofford block, were leased for three years, the rooms bearing none of the expense of fitting them except the cost of connecting archway. The library was opened to the public on Jan. 19, 1895, with about 2000 volumes, catalogued on the system of the Boston Public Library. The library has been expended for books, fitting and furnishing, salaries and incidental expenses the sum of \$4775.87. More than 3,000 volumes have been circulated, and the advancement of a free public library appears to be much appreciated by our citizens.

The trustees feel that they were fortunate in securing the services of Miss Nancy L. Barlank as librarian. By reason of long experience as a successful teacher in our public schools and a special course in library instruction at Amherst, Mass., she entered upon the work well equipped for its duties. Her faithfulness, tact, methodical habits, and care for all the interests of the library have contributed largely to its success. She has a competent assistant in Miss Augusta Sherman. The library has more than 3000 volumes and it is expected that new books will be added from time to time. Generous appropriations should be made from year to year in order that it may be kept up to its present standard. The report is signed by John S. Case, F. E. Hitchcock, Wm. T. Cobb, E. A. Butler, H. I. Hix, J. F. Merrill, Chas. E. Weeks, John Lovejoy, trustees.

#### CITY ENGINEER.

In accordance with an order from the city council, a report of the progress of the city for the use of the assessors was made. The surveys were carefully made. The first sheet plotted covers from Main, State and Union streets east to the water, from Crescent street on the south to Elm and Winter streets on the north. The second sheet extends from Main street west nearly to the M. C. R. R. and from Hall street, north to Pleasant street. Necessary surveys were made for the laying out of a few streets, viz: Pacific, Crescent, Mechanic, Broadway, Granite, Gay, Cedar and Berkeley. Engineer Tripp recommends that this work be continued as it is very important to the city. He also advocates more attention to the sewerage. He says, "a sewer system will do more for the city than a railroad will, and only constant, careful watchfulness will prevent trouble in various directions."

#### BOARD OF HEALTH.

Number of complaints for nuisance, 96. Investigated and "no cause" found in 13 of them. Of the 83 cases 72 have been abated and 11 remain in the same condition as when first reported. The number of cases in the hands of the Board of Aldermen leaving six with the Board of Health. Among the latter is the condition of drainage on Lisle, Winter, Crescent streets, Carroll Lane and Rankin street. In all these cases sufficient revenue was raised from property owners to pay for the improvements. There has been reported 78 cases of scarlet fever, with two deaths; one of these was due to dropsy following the fever, caused by exposure. Most of the cases were very mild. There are now no cases.

There were 32 cases of measles with no deaths. There are now eight cases. Nine cases of typhoid fever reported with two deaths. Causes attributed to well water or water from cistern on shipboard.

There were two cases of whooping cough with no deaths. About Oct. 1 diphtheria became epidemic in the city and continued through the month, only a few scattering cases breaking out in November due to exposure to clothing from the first patient. The nature of the first cases was not readily recognized and children continued to attend school, church and Sabbath school for a week or more although there were 12 cases in the city.

As soon as the source was located the Board adopted vigorous measures, resulting in the stamping out of the epidemic. This happy result was greatly furthered by the hearty co-operation of the medical profession, by the school officers, by the citymen, by the proprietors of places of amusement, and by the city authorities who furnished free anti-toxine. During the epidemic there were 47 cases, with eight deaths. A glowing tribute was paid to Dr. W. A. Albion, chairman of the board, who fell all a victim to the disease while fighting for the life of others.

The last act of the present city government was to grant permission to E. O. Heald to hang a swinging sign at his place of business on Main street.

The board of aldermen extended a vote of thanks to Mayor Lovejoy and the council to President Tapley and Clerk Davies.

#### FIRE IN WARREN.

For the second time a disastrous fire visited Brown's block in Warren and this time the burning is completely ruined. The fire originated about 6 p. m. Thursday evening in the drug store while the druggist was at supper. No cause is assigned except possibly it might have been the bursting of a lamp. The building was occupied by H. Newman, druggist, loss \$2000, insured for \$1000. W. D. Andrews, gent's clothing and finishing goods, loss \$1000, fully insured. C. S. Smith, laundry, loss \$300. No insurance. The upper part was occupied by the "K. G. C." club who lost their furniture. The loss on the building was \$2500, insured for \$1000. The loss attached to the mill did good execution and the boys worked like beavers and deserve much credit for saving other property. The Tiger Engine Co., W. B. Robinson foreman, also did good work after they got started.

#### CLAM DIGGING PAYS.

S. T. Jameson, Ralph Davis and others of Friendship who are digging and selling clams are doing a business of about \$1000 a month.

#### SOCIAL SALAD.

An invitation leap year dancing party is to be given in Grand Army hall next Tuesday evening.

A party from this city enjoyed dancing and supper at the Bay View Camden, last evening. It was a most enjoyable time.

The Jay Whist Club met last week with Mrs. James Fernald. The next week this club will meet on Friday night at Mrs. Walter Burpee's.

It was ladies night at the Central Club, Friday night. Dancing, cards, billiards and social intercourse was enjoyed. All had a royal good time.

Miss Mae Thornidike entertained a party of young ladies and gentlemen at her home Masonic street, Wednesday evening. Whist was played and refreshments of ice cream, cake and confectionery served. All had a delightful time.

The employees of THE G. G. office through the kindness of Miss Rose McNamara enjoyed a sleigh-ride to Crescent Beach Saturday evening in one of J. H. McNamara's big horse sleds. Mr. Smith served one of his most excellent suppers, and a good time was had all around verdict.

Master Harry Post was very pleasantly surprised, last Friday evening at his home on Mavorick street. Magic lantern and games made the evening pass pleasantly. Refreshments were served. Those present were Kittie Chaples, Jennie Post, Grace Green, Madeline Cookson, Mabel Huntley, Fred Huntley, E. J. Colson, Fred Colson, Earl Chaples, Ralph Chaples.

A mask ball was given in the Spring street rink Tuesday evening under the management of F. Ernest Holman, C. Clyde Thomas and Walter Parmlee, in return for the one given the week before by the Ocean Sittus club. About 85 couples participated in the



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Last Firemen's Levee of the Season a Decided Success.

Snow Did Not Stop Parade, Neither a Big Crowd from Attending—Rockland Comedy Company Scores Another Success—Dancing Enjoyed—How James F. Sears Was Killed.

The snow fell thickly Thursday night but the number of flakes was no greater than were the waves of pleasurable emotion experienced by those who attended the grand levee and ball of the James F. Sears Hose Co. at the Farwell Opera house.

All day the weather looked dubious and there were many who felt anxious but when ever a "boy" was seen he was looking happy and contented and evidently gave no thought to the weather.

Why should they? They had braved many a worse storm in the performance of their duty, never failing to respond when called upon.

They also knew that Rockland people look with favor on the city's brave fire fighters and that it would make more than a mere blinding snow storm, with a few rain drops mixed in for spice, to keep them at home on the occasion of the company's annual benefit.

Shortly after 7 o'clock the firemen in uniform formed in line and paraded Main street in the following order:

Drum Major, Cook  
Platoon of Police  
Moosey's Band  
Chief Engineer Bird, Asst. Engineers John Karl, H. P. Wood, W. F. Norcross, W. L. Blackington.  
Massachusetts Company of Damariscotta, 30 men.  
Charles W. Stetson, Thomas, Fred W. Hitchcock, 1st assistant; Isaac Hitchcock, 2nd assistant; N. C. Hall, Leander Lincoff, Joseph Lewis, George T. Lewis, Creighton Gammons, Harry Gammons, Fred Chapman, John Hitchcock, Augustus Hitchcock, Howard Burnham, Enoch Merrill, Will Knowlton, Lorenzo Sidelinger, Wade Harris, Eugene Merrill, Edwin F. Flint and Eugene Stetson.

N. A. Burpee Hose Co. No. 1  
Fred Larrabee, Foreman, 16 men.  
Gen. Berry Hose Co. No. 3  
F. A. Walsh, Foreman, 15 men.  
America Hook & Ladder Co., No. 1  
James Donohue 15 men.  
R. H. Conner Engine Co. of Thomaston 15 men.

Our Own Hook & Ladder Co. of Thomaston, 9 men.  
Eureka Hose Co. of Thomaston, 9 men.  
James F. Sears Hose Co. George McLaughlin, Foreman, 15 men.

It was rather tough marching through the blinding snow storm but the "boys" didn't mind it much, neither did the hundreds who lined the sidewalks.

The hall was not long in filling up and when the curtain rose promptly at 8 o'clock every seat was occupied and standing room was at a premium.

The first attraction of the evening was the presentation of the three act comedy drama entitled "Rio Grande" presented by that bevy of unequalled amateur Thespians comprising the Rockland Comedy Co.

The play has considerable of the comedy in it but there are enough tragic, startling and thrilling situations to make it real interesting if not exactly blood curdling.

This company has established an enviable record throughout this section for brilliant acting but this performance caps the climax. A better performance by amateurs has never been given in this city, and in fact it was the unanimous opinion that the work of our young ladies and gentlemen was equal to that of many so called, first-class companies that have been here.

But to the drama. It deals with western army life and in making up the cast most excellent judgment was used. Each person had some peculiar fitness for the part represented.

C. Frank Jones as the villain was great. His make-up, perfect. He represented a Spanish-American, revengeful, cunning, schemer, and a died-in-the-wool villain. Of course he was in love with a beautiful girl who loved and was loved by another and of course in the end his scheming was frustrated.

Mr. Jones had the right conception of the character and in the trying dramatic situations he even outdid Jones.

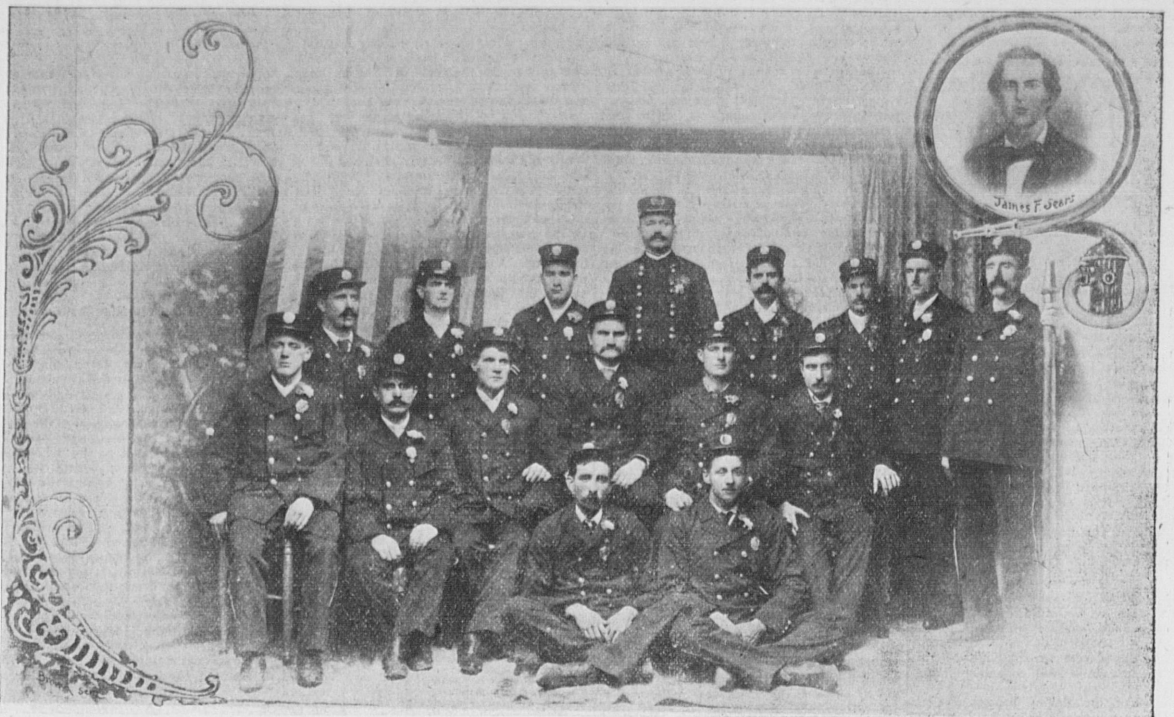
John Burns as a colonel of the U. S. A. didn't have much to do but what he did do was without a flaw. He resigned with a good grace to the will of his daughter when she promised to marry the villain and was happy when things turned out all right.

Capt. Paul, a junior officer, and the hero, was finely personated by Frank E. Hanley. He was a hard part but he came out with flying colors. Like most men he was caught in a trap by a woman and unlike many men he got out of the scrape with no discredit to himself. And although he went into the battle with the Redskins not caring whether or not he came out alive, he lived to marry the girl he loved, although the beautiful Spanish maiden who loved him and didn't really, truly mean to do wrong but who caused much of the trouble, sacrificed her life to save his.

R. H. Crockett, as Judge Biggs, had a make-up that was most excellent and even his best friends hardly knew him. As "an enthusiastic citizen" he was bubbling over with life, animation and enthusiasm. His lines were dramatically delivered and he was irresistibly funny. His speeches were gems and replete with fine perception of elocutionary.

E. E. Bond as Lieut. Cadwallader, an automaton, holiday soldier or more properly speaking a dude, was a photograph—a platinum photo, first soaked in gold and then the richer metal, platinum. His was a great characterization. His make-up of dusky clothes, single eye-glass, big cane and cigar, together with his most excellent delineation of the character made him one of the bright particular stars of the evening.

W. M. Tapley as a dime novel desperado



L. K. Blackington J. D. McLaughlin Fred A. Robinson H. G. Bird Geo. E. McLaughlin Stephen Hassen Fred Harrington M. J. Keele  
B. K. Hart, Jr. Daniel Proctor Fred Norton Ed Foreman Chief Engineer Martin E. Watson Harvey Robbins Ernest Thompson Steward  
William Thompson Charles Winslow

and Eddie LaBarre as Corporal Casey had minor parts but they did that part well and were good support to the company.

Too many words of praise cannot be bestowed on the young ladies of the company. They all had hard work to do but they acquitted themselves nobly.

Miss Grace Taylor as Ketta a Mexican girl had a most difficult part and one that required dramatic action. That Miss Taylor proved equal to every emergency was evident to every person present. Her acting was a fine piece of work. Her portrayal of the intensity of the love and passion of the Spanish race was brilliant, the death scene was realistic; in fact she read her line with intelligence, naturalness and artistic effect.

Miss Annie M. Kittredge as Johnny's sister was a success and up to her usual high standard. Nothing more girlish or ingenious could be desired than the delicious sweetness and winsomeness of her acting.

Miss Agnes Armstrong made her first appearance with this company, on this occasion, as Col. Lawrence's daughter and she made a decided hit. She is a valuable acquisition to the company. Her acting is natural, she has a keen perception of the proper delineation of the character she represents and her carriage is graceful.

Mrs. Biggs, the Judge's guiding star was presented by Miss Evie Miller and the impersonation was excellent. Miss Miller has been a member of the company since its inception and as on this occasion her presence has been a source of gratification to the audience.

The costumes came from Boston and they aided materially in the success of the performance. The stage settings were also excellent and represented the work of A. H. Jones who figures prominently in the work of the company.

During the play specialties were introduced and a high order and received well merited applause.

Eddie LaBarre did one of his imitable songs and dance acts.

Miss Anne Kittredge by special request sang "Venus." She was assisted by W. M. Tapley. Miss Kittredge was on the stage and Mr. Tapley in the gallery. It was a new innovation and a taking one, and a response to an encore was necessary.

The "Dudley sisters," Misses Agnes Armstrong and Eddie Feehan did a song and dance and did it finely. They were very graceful in their movements, chic in their gestures and sang sweetly.

"Life is one Grand Sweet Song" was rendered by W. M. Tapley and this popular tenor never did better.

Edie LaBarre sang a song with much vivaciousness and which "took". Mrs. G. Mortimer Barney artfully rendered a solo of a high order which was received with many manifestations of approval.

E. E. Bond sang a song and sang it in a way that touched its hearers to that extent that he had to give more of it. The prizes were then given away. There were 82 of them ranging all the way from an onyx table to a pair of suspenders. The value aggregated \$181.

The floor was then cleared and dancing was enjoyed for a few hours to the inspiring music of Meservey's Quintet. Chief Engineer H. G. Bird was floor director and he was ably assisted by Assistant Engineers Karl, Wood, Norcross and Blackington and members of the Sears Co. All had a nice time "reading the light fantastic" and about 200 couples participated.

The dance orders were unique and an innovation that was much appreciated. On the outside of the cover was a half tone engraving of the Sears company with an excellent picture of James F. Sears in the upper right hand corner, encircled by hose attached to a hydrant. The picture is printed in this article. The printing was done at this office and the design originated with Mr. A. H. Jones. The orders will be carefully preserved as souvenirs.

This company was named in honor of the brave James F. Sears, a member of the old Drigo Co. No. 3. He was killed at the burning of the Commercial House, on Limerock street, Tuesday evening Dec. 19, 1859. The fire was a fierce one, a strong breeze was blowing and the firemen had to work as they never worked before.

The following account of how Sears met his death, taken from the GAZETTE printed Dec. 22, 1859 will prove interesting to our many readers:

The most sad and mournful circumstance connected with this calamitous event, and in comparison with which the loss of an entire square of buildings would not have been counted, is the fact that three gallant young firemen met with a sudden and shocking accident, which resulted in the almost immediate death of one of them, and caused injuries which may quite probably prove fatal to one of the others. At a comparatively early stage of this fire, but when the flames had already broken through the roof of the oldest house, and the end of the new building adjoining and rising above it was on fire, a ladder was raised against the old building, in direct range with one of the tall chimneys

and three young firemen of Drigo, No. 3, carried their hose to the eaves of the building, and directed a stream upon the burning roof. These young men were James Freeman Sears, Edward Love and James Ulmer. Young Sears held the pipe, and was at the eaves of the building, while the others were immediately below him upon the ladder. We thought, at the first, that their position must have been rendered quite uncomfortable by the fury of the fire, and that the flames must soon drive them from it, but we did not anticipate any immediate danger from the chimney. When the young men had occupied this position for about fifteen or twenty minutes, however, we saw the chimney above them totter—there was a cry from the crowd, a futile upward starting movement on the part of the firemen, and in an instant the tall, heavy chimney, breaking short off beneath the roof, fell forward with a crushing force, striking them with its full, unbroken bulk and weight, snapping the ladder like a pipe-stem, and bearing all to the ground with an instant and terrible crash! The unfortunate young men were at once extricated from the mass of rubbish and ruins, and were found to be shockingly cut and mangled.

Young Sears was taken to the apothecary store of C. P. Fessenden, where he died, unconscious, within an hour. Love was taken directly home, and Ulmer was conveyed into Messrs. Berry & Co.'s office, but subsequently taken home. Although he had more external wounds than either of the others, it was thought, this (Wednesday) morning, that he would probably recover. The young man Love was still insensible this morning, but his breathing had grown stronger, and the physicians thought his recovery possible. A meeting of the City Council has been called for this evening, with reference to the death of young Sears.

The Commercial house was owned by Horace Beals, Esq. of New York, and the furniture and fixtures, we understand, partly by Mr. Beals and partly by the landlord, S. G. Dennis, Esq. There was insured on the building \$5,000 and on its contents, \$3,800. There was also \$2000 additional insured on the Hall, which suffered very little damage. The insurance was at E. H. Cochran's agency, in this city.

G. L. Black, it is said, is the only person now living in Rockland, who was an eye witness of Sears' death.

The Massachusetts company of Damariscotta were most pleased with their first visit to Rockland and words failed them when trying to tell of the good time they had and the hospitality of the Sears company and the citizens of Rockland in general.

In speaking of the presentation of "His Last Chance" by the Rockland Comedy Co. in Damariscotta a short time ago, Foreman Stetson said that it was the best thing ever given in his town but he thought "Rio Grande" was better, if such a thing be possible. He is now in communication with Manager Crockett to have the drama presented in Damariscotta.

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**MAINE OUTINGS**

For February is at hand, a bright and breezy echo of the outings of the pine-clad state. We note with satisfaction the increasing excellence of this magazine, which is rapidly pushing to a deserved place among the leading periodicals of its class. Among the contents of this issue which claim special mention is "A Romance of the Maine Woods," by Mattie Dunn, a charming short story of love in camp. The contents of "Fin de Siecle Dians," which blooms anew under the editorial guidance of Clara Marcelle Green are of especial interest to every member of the home circle. Other articles of interest are "Reflections of a Wheelman," by "Max," being a continuation of a series begun in July. The second installment of "A Thousand Miles Spun to Quebec," very handsomely illustrated. Fox hunters will be delighted with the graphic account of the annual meet of "The Brunswick Fur Club." The departments of "The Wheel," "Rifle and Gun," "Angling," "Our Field Companions" are overflowing with bright and readable matter.

**FRATERNITY FACTS.**

Disclosures of Importance From the Hidden Haunt of the Gay and Giddy Goat.

Anderson Camp, S. of V., had third degree work Wednesday night.

Canton Lafayette, P. M., I. O. O. F., has engaged the services of the Belfast band and orchestra for the annual field day of the two regiments which will be held here Thursday, June 4.

Maine bond holders secure \$400,000 worth of the national issue, over one half going to Portland. This will take considerable gold out of the state but as the Portland Advertiser puts it, "there is more where that came from."

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